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LIP EXTENSIONS

Manpower Minister Bryce MacKasey announced in the House of Commons Wednesday that an additional \$30. million has been appropriated for extensions of the Local Incentives Program.

A spokesman for Vancouver Manpower predicted that roughly one-fifth of the present projects would therefore be extended through September 31st.

But he also pointed out that MacKasey stressed programs that had contributed "community service", which may mean that most construction and research-oriented projects will not be extended.

The Manpower official said that decisions regarding further funding will be made "unilaterally in our office here". . . and it is not even required that projects contact Manpower in order to be reconsidered.

Nevertheless, it might be "just as well to write a letter" to indicate interest in continued funding, according to Manpower.

Even at this early date numerous requests have been received for continued funding.

YOUNGBLOOD FIREBOMBED

Sometime early Tuesday morning the Youngblood house was the scene of an unsuccessful firebombing. A coke bottle full of kerosene was apparently thrown on the porch of the house with a burning rag for a wick, but it failed to break.

The Youngbloods discovered the bottle at 11 am. Tuesday.

The group had also received threatening phone calls a few hours after the Gestetner incident. The caller, a man, asked for "Alex". When told that Alex was not at home, he said that "People don't dig what you did tonight, and tell Alex to watch his back".

Youngblood said, "We want to make it clear that we don't think it's the Partisans; we don't think that's where they're at. We think it's pigs or fascists trying to exploit our errors and differences", a Youngblood spokesman told the GRAPE Tuesday.

The Youngbloods point out that similar provocative tactics were used by police in an effort to exploit the recent split in the Black Panther Party in the U.S.

RECYCLE CALGARY

CALGARY (GGNS) - Next week some enterprising junior high school students will recycle the city of Calgary.

Well not the whole city, just all the tin cans, glass cloth and paper they can collect during recycling week, from May 15 to 21.

Project Recycle, a Calgary group which has been collecting and separating trash since last February, has set up the week. They are planning to try and make as many people as possible aware of garbage recycling during the 7 day period.

On Saturday May 20, starting at 11 am. there will be a Recycling Festival at Princess Island in the centre of Calgary. Live music, information and ecology films are planned.

During the week the junior high schools will have a competition to see which can collect the most trash. Recently T.B. Riley collected 8 tons in 3 days.

Lee Silver of the project said recycling

was alive and doing well in Calgary. Their depot at 3rd St. and 3rd Ave. S.E. is open seven days a week from 9 to 4 and collects almost 8 tons a week of each category of garbage.

The project is supported by a LIP grant. They have also received \$10,000 from the provincial department of the environment and are hoping for a grant from the city.

Lee said recyclable material was beginning to roll into the centre.

"We have a market for everything, but nothings very lucrative" he said. But he added that the project had a research chemist who was working out more valuable ways to use recyclable material.

Lee said they needed musicians for their Saturday Festival. He welcomed anyone from Vancouver who was willing to come and play. And said they could contact him in Calgary at his home at 289-1527 or at the project at 263-7710.



photo by ROB

15,000 SIGN ABORTION PETITION

During a rally held at the Vancouver Courthouse Saturday it was announced a petition for repeal of Canadian abortion laws had gathered 15,000 signatures.

The petition, sponsored by the BC Women's Law Repeal Coalition, will be presented to the Federal government in an effort to have Bills repealing abortion laws introduced in the legislature. Two Bills, one by Grace McKinnis (NDP-MP) and another by Hilliard Chappelle (Lib-MP) have been in committee since 1969.

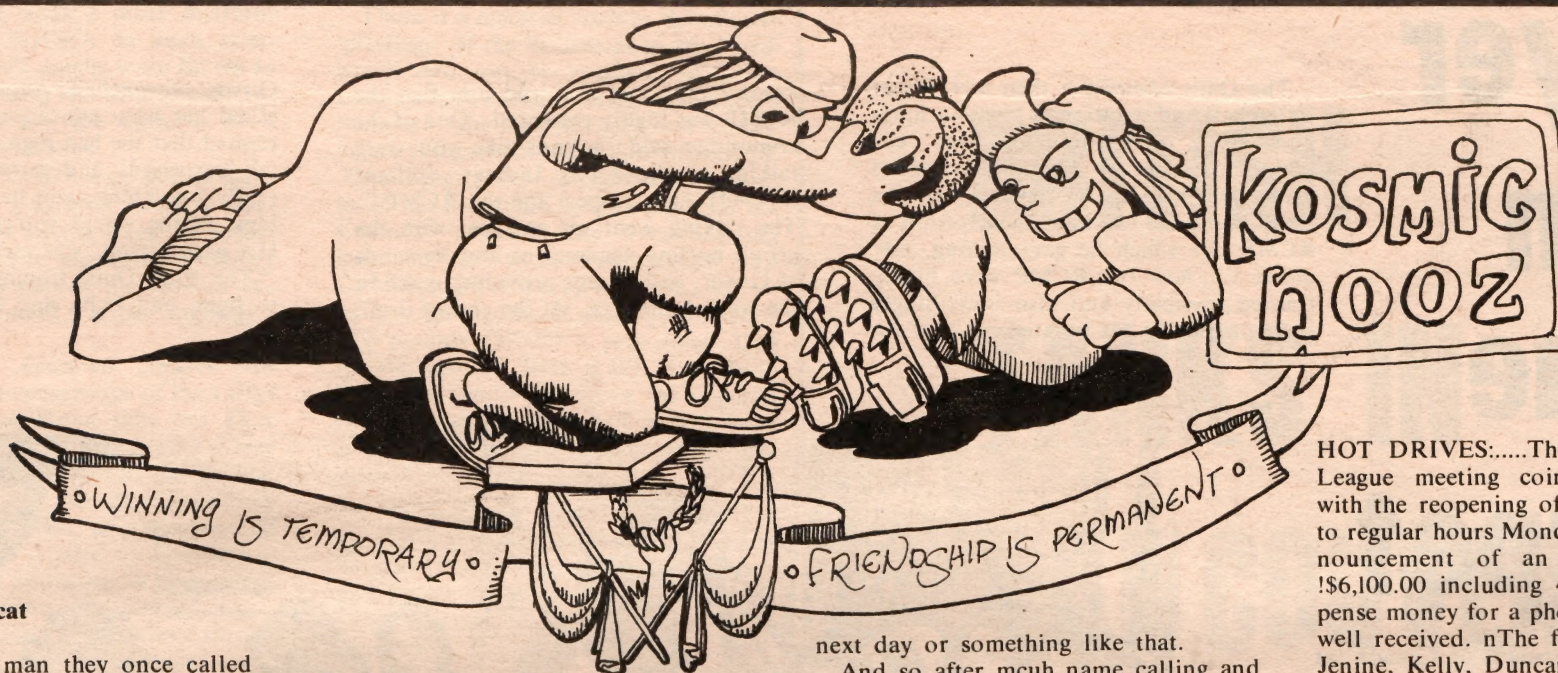
A statement to the Provincial government was read at the rally demanding Health Minister Loffmark require B.C. hospitals to perform abortions since at present many women are forced to wait

lengthly periods for abortions and others are forced to seek illegal abortions.

About 21 people attended the rally to listen to speakers that included Rosemary Brown of the Status of Women Council and Nancy Morrison, a Vancouver lawyer.

A guerilla theatre play was performed in which the women put the government on trial for its crimes against women in refusing them abortions.

Voice of the Unborn was noticeably absent from the rally, but they intend to have a silent vigil on mothers day at VGH to protest abortions. The BC Women's Abortion Law Repeal will counter-demonstrate and gather more signatures for its petition requesting repeal of all Aortion Laws in Canada.



by Studley Bearcat

And now, the man they once called crazy, but now merely unbalanced, brings you this week's K.L. Kapers.

The Granville Grange Zephyrs, looking for their third win in a row, took on the East End Punks at Cricket Chatter park on Sunday. The Zeds must've been wearing blinders during the search, cuz the Punks wiped them 16 to 9.

As a result of what could most charitably be termed Shitty Fielding the Granville Grange were down 9 - 0 going into the fourth inning. Comming out of the fourth inning they were down 12 - 0. Around the sixth the Zeds began to solve hurtling riddles of the Punks pitcher Fast Eddy but it was too little and far too late. It wouldn't even have mattered if the Grante had stopped making errors in the late states! (which they didn't)

Zed's chucker Gordon 'Deadly' Payne had an off day as did the highly over-rated Engledink Birdhumper. Expressway went two for four at the plate but did better in the outfield, going 3 for five on fly balls. The only face savers this day came from Smoky Mountain Bud at third nad the stand out backstopping of Cat 'How you prowls' Fisher.

The Punks were led by the hot picks of Hairy Hank at third, Paul at short and Brian 'Leaky' Fawcett at first. It was, however the Zeds own short' comings which once again proved the old axion "The darkest hour is always just before it gets black"

Total Ed's tantalizing whipped cream Delights took on the orgiastic Fast Flying Dildos in a game that at times resembled baseball. One team hit the ball quite a bit and the other team didn't. One team missed the ball quite a bit and the other team didn't. One team cried things like: 'When you're hot youre hot, and when you're a Dildo you're....' (ah shit I even forgot what it was they cried.)

Any how on the whole the game went smoothly except for in the fifth when your typical red-necked little league coach came along with some of his lackies(players) and told us to get off the diamond cause he and his lackies (players) had it reserved cause they had to line it out for the big tournament the

next day or something like that.

And so after meuh name calling and the threat of violence errupting we of the rough and roudy, but humanist counter-culture, beat a hasty retreat to an unused diamond at another part of Connaught park.

The only other incident of note was when fearless Furd the exhibitionist decided to pee out in center field and cause a halt in the preceedings in the Seventh. Of course the next time he tried it, early in the ninth, I was ready for him.

He was just standing out there real nice and innocent like peeing to beat the band and I layed a nice soft fly right at his dick which he of course missed cause he was too busy with what he was doing outthere, and I eventually made it home safely which brought the score to around 12 to 40 for them and was a turning point in the match, cause we scored 4 more runs after that which was more than we had scored in any other inning.

The main thing that was accomplished by the contest was that the Whipped Cream learned it is a good idea to have people who can catch out in the field when you play a team that can hit long ones.

HOT DRIVES:.....The Official Kosmic League meeting coincided beautifully with the reopening of the AnchorHotel to regular hours Monday night. The announcement of an OFY grant for \$6,100.00 including 4 salaries and expense money for a phone and office was well received. nThe four lucky winners Jenine, Kelly, Duncan and Dickie will start in on a tournament party for the weekend of the 17th of June. Flashpan, who were sitting two tables over, have agreed to play some of their incredible sock frying boogie, and wine, beer and dope are in the negotiation state with several unmentionable groups. Several new teams showed up, notably the Out to Lunch Bunch and the Acme Two Steppers, and the South Van Heads new name is the Diamond Dazzlers. All told there wwere 87 resolutions drafted; a players contract, an office space and 85 beer.

FOUL TIPS:A complete team list will be published in next week's Grape...Players wishing to join teams hshould use the Masters and Johnson Kondom Sampling technique....East End Punks are tuff...The Anchor Hotel has been named the (Official Kosmic League Pub)....Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Korky Day's 10 inch vibrator, please contact him at the Grape...immediately...Fatima El Hashbar landed at Vancouver International Airport sometime late Sunday night....Richard N.

MAYDAY

MAY DAY by Fatima 'Dirty Commie' El Hashbar

Despite the fact that this year's Day was a week late, most of the more than 2000 people who turned up at Lumberman's Arch on Saturday had a fine time.

The scheduled starting time of noon was about an hour premature but by one o'clock Whitefeather were blasting out some good original rock'n roll from the back of UCWIC's army flat bed.

After their set Henry Jack spoke of some of the head changes native people have been going through and some of the details of the Quilt Committee's latest hassels with the Attorney Generals' Office over a new inquiry into Fred Quilt's murder.

Lion's Gate Jazz Bd followed up with dixieland the way it used to be, including a couple of clarinet solos that were incredible. Jackie Weller rapped about the Inter High newspaper and the student union and how high school people weren't taking the crap they used to from administrators and school boards.

Anne Haynes played some beautiful folk songs of her own and added really sensitive touches of song by John Denver and an old traditional 'cocaine' number.

She is a warm very human person, and even with all the amplifier and microphone screw ups that were happening during her set, she still came across exactly the way she is. The sun shone while she was playing.

Next Rick McDog and I got up to talk about the GRAPE. McDog did great but I froze up cut I can't talk to lots of people and I probably looked justhow I felt..like a big dummy.

A blues player called Harry followed us, and though most people were receptive to any kind of change after our act, they really got their socks fried by this guy. Anyone closing their eyes and lying back would have though they were listening to James Robertson, it was just that good.

Whitefeather came back with some more boogie and in the middle of their set my roommate got up and talked about the War and how people in Vietnam are getting it on to win and what their spirit of collectivity and togetherness could mean to us. Whitefeather closed it out with Blue Suede Shoes and the last couple of hundred people left...about six-thirty, very tired and very happy.

This year's May Day was brought to you by a coalition of groups in the city, Inter High, Youngblood Wobblies, Partisans, Hari Krishna people and the Volunteers. We learned a lot about each other in working this thing through and we've already got a lot of ideas to pick up on to make next Years May Day even better.

STREET BAN

STREET SALES BAN CONSIDERED EDMONTON - City Council is considering banning the sale of underground papers by street sellers.

If made law, the ban would effect both the Grape and the Georgia Straight as well as a new Edmonton paper called The Orb. Most likely the ban is directed at the new paper, which published their first issue on May 1st.

In its first issue the Orb has a story on the Hudson Bay hiring freaks to kick loungers out of their mall, a high school news column, a long appeal letter from a housewife on welfare, ecology, gay and American news.

In place of street sellers the city would only allow vending boxes to be set up on corners

MAYDAY



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goyer on the carpet

The Solicitor General of Canada sat on the plushly carpeted floor of the Hotel Vancouver speaking about the death of Chilicotin Indian Fred Quilt.

It was during the question period at the end of the speech that Quilt first came under heavy fire from members of the Quilt Committee who had had direct contact with the penitentiary system ... some who had relatives in jail, some who were ex-cons themselves.

The racism in the system was attacked bitterly by the questioners, and Goyer was unable to explain away their persistence in questioning. Finally an Elizabeth Fry society type broke in and voted the meeting to and end. Later she told me how it was so hard to get people to come out and visit the prisoners (one of the complaints had been that many people were not allowed to come to see their friends in the joint.

The Quilt committee then met Goyer in the hall and questioned him, machine-gun style, with demands for explanations about the ridiculous system of justice which exists in Canada. He was asked about the training and selection of RCMP to which he gave a long, talk about how the RCMP were highly trained physically and also increasingly psychologically. He pointed out how In-

dians in the east had told him that the RCMP was highly respected. One of the committee said "sounds like you were talking to the wrong Indians...Indians do NOT have respect for the RCMP." The talking went on and on, with the group hurling accusations and demands at Goyer, and he not providing much in the way of answers. At the end of it all,

Goyer alproached Angie Dennis and asked her what education she had. She replied that she had high school. He acted surprised, and commented "that's really something...you have a very good idea of the world...you're very smart." His patronizing was met with silence.

The Fred Quilt Committee continues to fight, and fight, and fight.

By rob klein



youngbloods, partisans slug it out

By MASON DIXON

The Vancouver political "underground" seemed suddenly more like the underworld last week when the Youngblood political organization staged a sudden and violent raid on a Partisan house.

The object of the attack was to seize a mimeograph. Except for the injuries sustained by two Partisans, the story reads like a comic gangster episode out of the 30's.

The facts themselves are simple enough.

The Youngbloods freely admit that they employed a "ruse" to gain entry into the Partisan House. About 8:30 pm, Youngblood Alex Brosgará arrived at the house and asked to see the Gestetner.

They were told that only two Partisans, Charles and Richard Rathwell, were home. Alex was shown the machine and the supplies of paper, as well as the basement in which they were located.

He was also told that since neither Charles nor Richard knew how to use this machine, it might be better to wait until later.

Alex returned, with a woman, an hour later. As Richard took him into the basement to try and work the machine, the woman remained upstairs where she allowed four companions into the house.

They ran down the stairs as Alex yelled: "We haven't come to use the machine, we've come to take it!" Richard ran down a short corridor to warn Charles of trouble, but he was caught from behind, and as he puts it, "thrown across the room."

He had time for a single snap-kick before being dragged down and roughly subdued. Even this set of self-defense startled the Youngbloods, who claimed later that they had brought a large force as a deterrent to violence, as well as to carry the heavy machine out of the house.

But the surprises were just beginning.

Charles, in his basement room, was sleeping when the struggle started. His first reaction was anger, thinking that people from the house were making such loud noise.

But then he heard the unmistakable sound of a beating, and he feared the police were violently busting the house. He grabbed his 12 gauge shotgun and burst out of his room shouting "Don't move or I'll blast you!"

Charles apparently allowed himself to be disarmed, and then he began to struggle with Alex. Someone quickly came to Alex' assistance, and Charles too was held down while the Youngbloods carried the machine and its paper from the house.

The Youngbloods wound up with the Gestetner, Charles wound up with a fractured jaw, and Richard receive a broken nose, a concussion, and possible internal injuries.

The background is less simple:

Both groups claim they really own the machine. Alex and Sharman of the Youngbloods because they provided the money with which the machine was originally purchased, although at that time they were a part of the Partisan organization.

The Partisans insist that the machine was given to their organization, and that no matter who owns it, the machine has been open to the community, including the Youngbloods.

The Youngblood counter here is that the Partisans are "revisionist," and that their politics "mislead and confuse the people."

The Youngbloods say that they can put the machine to "better use."

"When we left the Partisans we told them we wanted the machine. They told us no, more or less from a position of strength," Alex commented. "It has only been recently that we have had the strength to get it back."

The incident is doubly bizarre because relations between the

two groups appeared more amicable, at least until last Wednesday, than they have been in months. Both groups cooperated to set up Mayday, and social calls were becoming more frequent.

The Partisans have responded to the attack with a six-page paper entitled "Know your friends, know your enemies."

"Take a mindless worship of violence," it reads, "add an inability to distinguish friends from enemies in practice (rooted in sectarianism and elitism) and at best you come up with a potentially dangerous counter-revolutionary tendency, at worst a neo-fascist cult."

The crux of the Partisan position is concisely stated in the "Summation" of their paper. The first point is that the Gestetner "belongs" to anyone "trying to build a broad-based anti-imperialist movement."

The second point states that "the Youngblood's error was not just in the unnecessary use of violence, in refusing to struggle out differences, in their lack of community accountability, etc. It is precisely their elitist politics and ideology, rationalized by simple-minded mouthing of Marxist concepts, that is the problem. It is here that there must be rectification."

Finally the Partisans say they are not "contemptuous of the people in Youngblood so much as we recognize their failure, both in leadership in cadre, to challenge the assumptions on which the group was founded. This is a problem of education and study. It cannot be resolved if the group is kept isolated and protected from the rest of the world."

The Youngbloods, for their part, withdrew their scheduled speaker for Mayday and began stating publicly on Saturday that the action was "incorrect" and a "mistake."

Some observers, recalling that Richard, Alex and Sharman have lived together, tended to put the raid on a more personal level. But both groups are quick to insist that the differences are "political" rather than "personal."

Whatever the causes, the Youngblood action caused consternation and disappointment in radical circles, and seems to have dealt a serious blow to the frail self-confident of Vancouver's left community.

youngbloods--on second thought...

By MASON DIXON

Several weeks ago, this newspaper carried a feature story on the Youngbloods. It concluded with the remark that "They (the Youngbloods) aren't as crazy as we thought".

Clearly, after last week's Youngblood "action", this statement bears considerable re-examination.

The Youngblood rationale for their actions is simple, perhaps transparently so. "We really own the machine, we can put it to better political use, so we have the right to take it, by violence if necessary."

Given such an attitude, it is only natural to wonder what happens to future critics of the Youngbloods? Will they too, be seen as "revisionist"?

The timing of the attack, when the Youngbloods and Partisans were working cooperatively, will seriously affect the basis of trust of Youngblood alliances in the future.

Violence and provocative acts should low, if they occur at all, not precede, principled debate over a point of disagreement. Yet the Youngbloods admit that they have not discussed the Gestetner with the Partisans for months. But there is another side to the

question, and that is the reaction of many so-called "leftists" to the incident. Many people saw fit to denounce the Youngbloods as "neo-fascists" or "hoodlums" without ever criticizing the group in person.

Surely this is a tactical error, for if the Youngbloods are neo-fascist, and if their organization continues to grow (which it shows every indication of doing), then it will be a serious threat at some future time.

If the Youngbloods are not neo-fascist, if they are simply mis-guided or lacking in meaningful ideology, then it is

important that principled criticism follow even this apparently unprincipled action.

No one can afford to ignore the Youngbloods. They are not going to go away.

It is highly ironic that the Youngbloods stress the slogan "Fight to Win" For with one foolhardy action they have damaged the trust respect and cooperation that they have acquired in the last few months.

The loss does not begin to contract the gain.

VANCOUVER



OUR NEW INSPECTOR

Bullet Bob Abercrombie, the man who ordered the police cavalry charge at Gastown, has been replaced.

The new police inspector in charge of downtown, the West End, Skid Road and Gastown is Joe Hornell, the ex-head of the "youth preventive" squad.

Abercrombie, 57, didn't get the axe. In fact, he retired with full military honors after observing that "horses are gentler than people - any horseman will tell you this."

As inspector for district one, he had 24-hour-a-day responsibility for the area which had the highest crime rate and the most street political activity in Vancouver. He distinguished himself in the field by busting heads (not personally, of course) at English Bay and on Granville Street during the summer of 1970, although his natural bent was as a police bureaucrat.

His successor, Hornell, 44, joined the force in 1952 after leaving the RCMP. In 1967 he took charge of the juvenile squad and reorganized it into its present structure. Three years later he took a desk job.

If you're wondering what kind of guy Hornell is, here are some of his quotes:

On transient youth: "They run to the hippies and are taken in. There they have access to drugs and the girls become involved in sexual immorality."

On good influences: "The church can be a stabilizing factor in the lives of teenagers. They meet wholesome people with wholesome ideas."

On social priorities: "Money spent for parks and playgrounds will be for nothing if law and order breaks down."

STUDENTS AND JOBS

One third of those graduating from universities in Canada this year will not be able to find a permanent job.

This is the word from Canada Manpower as the students finish off their semesters this week. At the University of British Columbia it means that 1100 students will join 500 students who still haven't found jobs since they graduated LAST year.

And the same Canada Manpower source doesn't hold out much hope for the estimated 20,000 high school and university students who will be looking for summer employment.

The student looking for a job through the U.B.C. Student Placement Office usually only has a choice of about thirty minimum wage waitering and waitressing jobs (10 cents an hour more if the women will show their breasts) that are displayed in the office waiting room.

And most of these cards carry warnings from other students who have worked at these restaurants. One card says, "Don't go here - he pinches your ass." Some choice.

FALLING WINDMILLS

Simon Fraser University lost its legal suit against John Juliani, former SFU theatre resident. John Juliani won part of his legal counter-suit against the SFU administration. Dennis Roberts, SFU Public Relations Officer, said the university would not report or comment on Justice Gregory's decision. "We only report good news," Juliani admitted he was surprised at the decision: "I found myself in the position of tilting at windmills and having them actually fall over."

In 1969, the university had obtained an injunction to bar Juliani permanently from the SFU campus. They were suing Juliani for breach of contract and trespassing on President Kenneth Strand's property, claiming Juliani not only had been forbidden but had agreed not to walk on the cloud-shrouded mountain. Justice Gregory said there was no valid contract, Juliani therefore didn't break what didn't exist. The injunction to enforce the contract consequently was invalid; Juliani didn't pass where he shouldn't pass. Falling windmill.

Juliani thus won his counter-suit to have the injunction removed. He was awarded \$25 symbolic damages but his claim for defamation of character was not upheld in this case, without eliminating the possibility it can be argued in a separate hearing.

Justice Gregory also awarded Juliani costs. This is no loss to the personal pocket of \$40,000-a-year Pres. Strand or to the university legal firm of Shrum (son of Hydro-Shrum, first SFU Cancellor) and partners. Costs will come from the taxpayers' pockets. With the estimated several hundred thousand dollars spent by President Strand and associates on previous purges of SFU faculty, there should be a case for misuse of public funds.

GREENPEACE \$

The Greenpeace Foundation has released its income and expenditure statement for the period June 1970 to Dec. 31, 1971.

Irving Stowe, a founder of the Don't Make A Wave Committee (now known as the Greenpeace Foundation) announced that a Vancouver firm of chartered accountants have completed the statement and the Foundation would release the figures to the public since it is by public funds the Greenpeace is able to continue.

Income totalled \$62,703 and was made up of the following: a benefit concert brought \$18,092 in admission and \$683 in donations, less expenses of \$1,611. Donations, button sales and sundry brought \$20,494, and grants from the Eldridge Foundation, Palo Alto Friends Meeting, Eugene Friends Meeting and the Sierra Club brought \$6,000 each, amounting to \$24,000. Interest on short term loans was \$1,045.

Expenditures totalled \$53,025, and were made up of the following: accommodation and travel for public meetings was \$1,262, telephone and telegraph costs were \$6,183, with miscellaneous (supplies) costs at \$2,765. Greenpeace voyages I and II cost \$47,205 (including \$24,000 in charter fees, \$10,619 for fuel, and \$7,981 for food and supplies) less \$4,390 returned by media representatives for their passage on the ships.

The balance on the books at Dec. 31, 1971 was \$9,678, which is being used to finance the Greenpeace III voyage to Mururoa in the South Pacific where the French are testing a hydrogen bomb in the atmosphere sometime in June.

If you would like to contribute to the Greenpeace Foundation, send a cheque or money order to Greenpeace Foundation, 3941 Westridge, West Vancouver, B.C. Telephone is 922-5940.

By SYLVIA HAWRELIAK

DRIBBLES

"FREE YOU"

It is sign up time again at the Free U. Margret and the rest of the Free U-ers want to get the classes going next week.

The courses this time range from informational kind of stuff, like a report on China by some of those who were in last fall's Vancouver delegation, information the stock market or experimental calculus, to *how to* courses covering everything from dome building and flute playing to motor-cycle repairs and bee keeping.

For your spiritual development there are classes in the study of Tai Chi Chaun, the classical Chinese system of slow controlled body movements which promotes mental and physical health and in Eckankar, the science of soul travel.

The Vancouver Garden Project still (as of the printing of the calendar) has 30 plots of land vacant and John Harrison at Mylora farm is offering garden co-op system where in return for free land etc. you do 2 or 3 days weeding. For both these *courses* time is very short - gardens should be in very soon.

The macrame, nutrition, meditation and gestalt classes are still being offered. Skookum Jim is offering an information service for those who are heading North this summer.

There are a lot more, but instead of us listing them why not pick up a calendar at the Free U or here at the Grape. As usual the \$5 Free U registration fee is negotiable if you cannot afford it.

The Free U has extended itself beyond just matching up teachers and instructors with potential learners. During the winter they have set up a free tutoring service and a program for kids who have dropped out of school.

The drop-out program has been a success says Margret at the Free U with about 25 kids involved. The staff is made up of unemployed teachers who were on welfare. They have been working out of a portable class room at Britannia school.

The school kindly gave the portable free and has given them complete access to any text books they might need. Also there is one teacher who is out at Grandview working with kids who have reading difficulties.

The other part of the project has not been as successful because of lack of personnel. It is very hard to make any progress with kids' learning problems when tutoring only happens every 2 hours a week.

If you feel qualified and would like to help give the Free U a call, they would appreciate it.

Another hassle is that money for this project came from an LIP project. When money runs out at the end of May the project will run on volunteer help.

The Free U is at 1895 N Venables or can be reached at 254-8522 or 252-3713.

WATSON TRIAL

Grape (and former Straight) reporter Paul Watson goes on trial this Friday on charges stemming from the establishment of People's Park last May.

Paul is charged with "willful damage and public mischief over \$50," and the jury trial will begin Friday morning at the Supreme Court building on Georgia Street. The charges carry a maximum penalty of 5 years.

Attend the trial to support Paul and oppose police repression!

ALTAMONT CONTINUED

The spirit of Woodstock is surely dead.

Last Friday about 3,000 people spent the night lined up in front of ticket booths at Empire Stadium. They were waiting for tickets for the Rolling Stones which were to go on sale at 9:00 Saturday morning. But all was not "peace, love and good vibes."

MORE WOOD STOCK

The kid that administered the "noxious substance" via the teachers' sugar bowl in West Vancouver is being charged with "delinquency" by administering a noxious substance. Last report is that all the teachers have recovered.

Because the student is a juvenile, the case will be held in closed court, and the sentence will be determined by this court. It would seem that there are a lot more effective ways of combatting a lousy education than the one this student allegedly tried. Ask Inter-High in the HELP column.



ONE LITTLE CANDLE

Who wants nuclear tests in the atmosphere? Surely nobody. But we must DO something about it, and there is something significant we can all do.

As the five brave men of Greenpeace III sail their small craft towards the zone of certain danger, you and I and all the world can support them by an action so simple that individually it might seem insignificant, but which, multiplied by millions, can work. Just take an envelope, address it to "His Excellency Georges Pompidou, President of France, c/o The Canadian Embassy, Avenue Foch, Paris, France," add an Air Mail sticker and a 15 cent stamp, and write a note protesting this crime against the human environment. And tell your friends to do the same.

Ten million such letters, from countries all around the Pacific (sent, of course, to the appropriate Embassies), will surely convince M. Pompidou of global outrage, and this could make him think again. If it is all we can do, that is all the more reason to do it. Please write today. Our silence could be disastrous.

Yours sincerely,
Deeno Birmingham,
President,
B.C. Voice of Women

RIP-OFF EXPRESS

People!

This is to inform you that American Express, London England is this year an even bigger rip-off than last. If you wish to see if you have mail there it costs you 10 pence (26-27 cents Canadian). This charge is just to be allowed to see if you have mail, and each attempt costs a further 10p. Lovely! Also in the bank within Am. Exp. the exchange today April 28 1972 was 1 Canadian dollars equals 38p, a further rip-off of 4 cents on the dollar, and that is a lot of bread.

So for those travelling this way maybe "poste restant" would be a good idea and any English will change money for you at a more reasonable rate. Ban American Express, don't use their services or their cheques. You can get by without. Please publish this. More later perhaps!

One of the peoples
of the world
Bill Moore

EYEWITNESS NEWS

Date: May 3, 1972
Time: 12:08 AM
Place: 333 1/2 Powell St., Vancouver 4, B.C.

EYEWITNESS REPORT

I was coming along Powell Street when I saw a Police Patrol Car parked at curb in front of 333 1/2 Powell Street, one officer in car on driver's side - Wagon (large one) came and parked behind patrol car.

Other officer on stairs suddenly spoke to person sitting on stairs, saying, "Come on! Move!" and grabbed him and pulled him off stairs then threw him head first down 3 steps and grabbed his collar and dragged him down 10 steps to sidewalk and along sidewalk to wagon, about 50 feet.

There were 2 officers with wagon plus the 2 men from Patrol Car so the officer on stairs could have called for assistance instead of manhandling person on stairs.

The victim was an Indian wearing a red jacket but I was not able to get a close enough look to identify him nor the police officers involved.

After the victim was put in wagon one police officer picked up shoe from doorway of 333 1/2 Powell and handed it to officer from Wagon.

Robert A. Neumann

Note: Copies of this report have been handwritten by me and sent to:

- 1) Chief Constable, Vancouver City Police
- 2) Mayor Tom Campbell, City of Vancouver
- 3) Attorney General Petersen, Victoria
- 4) The Editor, The Sun
- 5) The Editor, The Province

JAIL UNCLE SAM

Dear GRAPE

There was a little article recently in a Regina paper about a proposed bill that would make it illegal to "destroy, disfigure, mutilate, deface, defile, desecrate or cast contempt upon the Canadian flag or the flag of any other country that is legally represented in Canada." Also provincial flags.

If you're familiar with Abbie Hoffman's book **Revolution for the Hell of It** (also **Woodstock Nation**), you're probably aware of a similar law that was enacted in the U.S. some years ago and has so far been used **only** discriminatorily against freaks and young people wearing flag shirts, using flags as bedspreads, etc. So far, Uncle Sam, Amerikan drum majorettes, presidential candidates wearing red, white and hats and ties, or "establishment" types wearing "hip" clothes patterned in flag motif have been left alone.

IF such a law is passed here, it would no doubt be used for the same purpose, and besides that it's just another nuisance law. Instead of trying to clean up on **real** problems, the government puts priority on people wearing flag shirts above unemployment and foreign (Amerikan) control of our industries and resources.

Oh yes, the GRAPE is doing real good work, tho it's too bad that the Straight had to be bust up. Looking on the brighter side, now there are **two** good alternate newspapers available. I wish Regina had something as good.

Suggestion: could you possibly do **more** articles on herbal tripping, woods survival, living off the land, "growing your own food and dope", ecology, etc.

Love, peace & good vibes
Bob Kreba
Regina

P.S. If I could afford it, I'd get a subscription right now, I just buy the GRAPE weekly, here in Regina.

"RENT-A-DOG" IMPROPER?

I am a homosexual. As such I am troubled by expressions of contempt directed at people solely on the basis of their deviation from the generally accepted pattern of "normal" sexual behaviour. I, therefore, am increasingly offended by the spurious ads your staff members have been inserting in the personal column of GRAPE. I refer to such fake ads as those supposedly inserted by Max's Rent-A-Dog, Horno-Porno Productions, Sheba the German Shepherd, Humpo-Pumpo Books, etc. They are a blatant attempt to ridicule and degrade all whose sexual behaviour is, in your opinion "improper." These mock ads contradict your claim to be a liberating force and indicated that you are just another pressure group with your axe to grind; they suggest that you are an oppressor, just as ready as the "establishment" to enforce your own "standards" on all "deviate elements." Your contempt for those who fall outside of the circle you have drawn around what you consider acceptable sexual behaviour is no different from that directed at you by "establishment" institutions. And it mystifies me why those at whom you sneer, the advertisers who insert and pay for the genuine ads, continue to patronize a paper that heaps ridicule on them - or, for that matter, why I have continued buying GRAPE this long. I will buy no more.

Floyd Williams

(GRAPE Note: The "fake" ads (Horno-Porno Productions, by the way, is a semi-legitimate company) have been inserted to discourage grossly exploitative "meat-market" type ads. They have, in fact, done this to a certain extent. However, as you suggest, perhaps this is not the best way to deal with the problem of such ads because of the further problems created. The personal ads, both "fake" and real, and whether or not we should run them will be discussed at a GRAPE staff meeting in the near future. We welcome further comment from readers on the personal ads in the meantime.)

YOU'RE GOOD PEOPLE

The Grape:

I am an Indian, a Redman, a native of this province. I am old and I still believe in the old ways. I want to thank you for the attention that your paper has given to my people. You have good writers and you are good people.

John Jack

A TIME AND A PLACE...

Further to your article titled "Boycott the Boycott":

Why are the gay society so uptight about the Castle Hotel not welcoming their patronage any more? Who the hell wants to patronize a beer-parlour where one is not welcomed when there are two other beer-parlours just about as centrally situated as the Castle where the gay society are officially welcomed for patronage?

The fact that the Castle has made a good profit from gay customers over the past years is no more a practical issue. This was never an arrangement for life - in fact, the Castle Management have always demonstrated that they were never really happy with gay clients. In any case, the only gay kids that have been refused entry to the Castle beer-parlour are the ones that have acted too openly with their lovers in front of the Castle's straight-customers. These overacting gays should simply understand that in any country of the world, there is time and place for everything; thus in a public place should consider the feelings and comforts of others as well as themselves.

I personally never visit any establishment public or private where I am not welcomed, logically because there are so many places where I am welcomed.

Kind regards
Gay Joe

ECO-DICTATORS

Dear Grape,

This Greenpeace bullshit that you keep reporting is nothing but a hype. The whole protest smells to me like a publicity campaign for Ben Metcalfe and family. I hear the names Ben Metcalfe and Dorothy Metcalfe more than I hear the word Greenpeace.

I sat in on a recent meeting of theirs at the Fisherman's Hall. I found out that Ben Metcalfe had deceived the whole committee by saying the night before he flew to New Zealand to the committee that he would not be going on the Greenpeace III. The reporters knew of his decision before the members of his own committee. In fact, the members of the committee seem to be uninformed or misinformed about most things. After attending the meeting, most members have to wait to hear on the next day's news the results and decisions of the meeting.

The directors of the meeting have stated that they do not want a democratic organization, because subversives would take over. This is the same argument that the government of France could use. If they do not test that bomb, subversives might take over. The Greenpeace committee is run like a dictatorship, and its dictators like Dorothy Metcalfe justify this stand by saying that the survival of the species transcends democracy, politics and such. Apparently she misses the point that the reason there are atomic weapons is that governments put the survival of their countries and traditions before democratization of the world's people.

There will not be a protest ship leaving from here, because the \$9000 that the committee had was taken without the committee's knowledge to New Zealand by the very trustworthy Ben Metcalfe. I have a suspicion that the reason for this move is so that Ben Metcalfe will not have any competition for the glory and publicity. Also the donations to the Greenpeace Foundation go to Dorothy Metcalfe, and the figures are not released to the "common" members.

I went to the Greenpeace meeting for the purpose of doing something to aid the project. I was told that I could write letters to the President of France, sell buttons or distribute leaflets. I am a believer in a true democratic process, and in equality. I cannot work with a totalitarian organization, no matter how noble the reason. They will not stop the blast by themselves, which is exactly what they are trying to do.

Jean-Paul Drouin

YIP LEVITATION

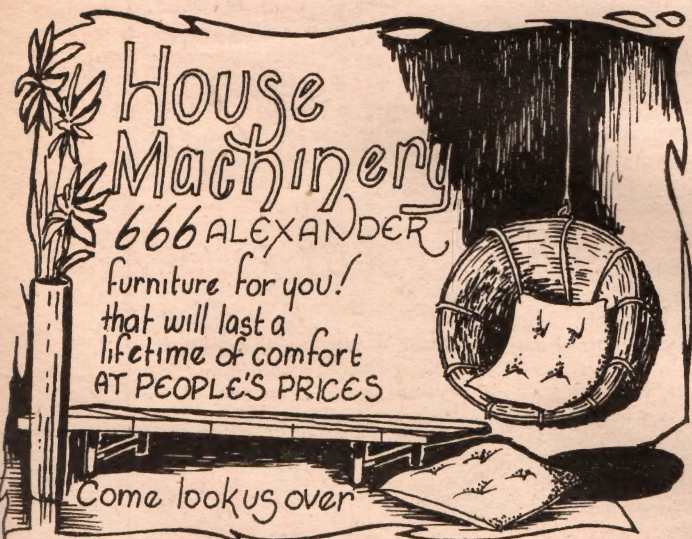
Brothers and Sisters of the Co-op.

This is to signal the start of the largest Yippee operation to hit Vancouver. Yes Comrades, on June 21, the first day of summer, the "highest" day of the year, we, the Yippees, will form a circle around the B.C. Hydro Building, and raise the entire building 374 ft. off the ground. All witches (white or black) all freaks, straights, pigs and motherfuckers are invited to participate. Further details will follow.

Cokey
Minister of Propaganda

All power to the revolution!

This has been an unpaid political announcement for YIP YIP-PIE





"Once upon a time, before hardly anyone can remember, people grew their own food, and traded what they had left over for other things they wanted. After the industrial revolution, more and more people began moving to the cities. They weren't growing their own food anymore, but they still had to eat. With some of the money they got working in factories and offices, they bought the food they needed at grocery stores. Some of the folks who owned the grocery stores realized that selling people something they couldn't do without was a good safe way of making money, and that they could make even more money if they owned all the grocery stores, and the wholesale markets and the packing plants, and even the farms. As a result, the local stores were turned into the terminal link of a long corporate chain".

So begins The Grocery Store Story book a study done by the PSA department at SFU on the food business in Vancouver. Read it if you want to know why you pay high prices for food.

The study shows that the three chain food monopoly in Vancouver doesn't bring you cheaper prices. Instead you get misleading price juggling from store to store within a food chain.

Because of their size the three major companies (IGA, Safeway and the Garfield Weston Charitable Foundation - SuperValu) operate co-operatively rather than competitively. "Rather than price-takers, these corporate giants are price makers," the study says.

So prices on similar items do not vary much between the major chains. But they do vary sometimes even double, in different stores of the same chain.

The study thinks little of the theory that big chains mean competition and low prices. They give an example of one of the few food 'price wars', in Edmonton in 1970.

Safeway was forced to close its 36 stores for 3 shopping days while it dropped prices on most goods. When they were

questioned about this by reporters Safeway store managers said they didn't know anything about the price changes but Safeway's Prairie division manager admitted that the prices are arbitrary and that Safeway had different prices for different areas.

For example most of Safeway's brands of tinned food are packed in Vancouver and shipped to Alberta which should mean that Alberta prices would be higher. But, even, before the price cuts, most of Safeway's Edmonton prices were lower than their prices in Vancouver. Research shows that the major chains have different prices in different regions of the city. For example IGA in Delta sold tomatoes at an average monthly price of .26 cents per lb. whole, N. Burnaby IGA sold them for .54 cents per lb. Woodwards in Surrey sold celery at .39 cents per lb. when a discount store in North Burnaby sold it at .15 cents per lb.

Meat prices were found to be the "most blatant examples" of price inequalities. The weekly cost of meat from an independant meat market in Surrey was \$9.93 whereas at Safeway in Grandview the same meat sells for \$13.09 - a weekly difference of \$3.16, or \$12.64 per month.

WEEKLY MEAT PRICES

AREA	STORES				
	Safeway	I.G.A.	Super-Valu	Woodwards	Discount
Surrey	11.06	11.94	11.94	12.01	9.93
Delta	11.47	11.41	12.11	-	10.30
Grandview	13.09	12.37	12.62	-	-
N. Burnaby	11.60	12.07	11.76	-	10.76

Prices are based on amount for small family - Same cuts were compared in each store - pork, chicken, beef roast, and sole.

THE GROCERY STORE STORYBOOK STORY

The chart shows other price variations between and within stores and regions.

These price discrepancies mean that the corporations are taking more money from people in some parts of the city than in others. The highest prices are found in the generally lower income areas such as Grandview, which for example had the highest meat prices of all stores studied.

There are fewer stores in low income areas because there is less money to go around. This means that there is less competition in these areas.

Also because people in these areas do not have the time or transportation to do comparison shopping, the big chains have a captive customer.

The big companies also have price and merchandising tricks designed to either induce consumers to buy more or mystify the prices of the goods. For example, prices are generally higher on weekends, when most people shop. Sometimes advertized "special" are actually more expensive than the regular prices for these items.

Another very effective way of increasing profit is to price even number lots at odd prices (ie 2 for .45 cents) If people only want one item, they must pay one half cent more for it.

Also goods are sold in varying measures (one week by the pound, the next by the dozen) which makes it difficult for shoppers to make price comparisons.

The stores which dominated a shopping area had the highest prices. Super-Valu has the highest average prices in Delta, when they have two stores to one each for IGA and Safeway. The same thing happens in New Westminster, where the two Safeway stores have higher average prices than their single competitors.

There are various display techniques used to manipulate the shopper. "Store-brand" products are usually displayed on eye-level while competitive brands (which may be priced lower) are put on bottom shelves. "Impulse-buying" is encouraged by the placement of displays at the ends of aisles and checkout counters or by "combination displays" where things such as strawberries whipping cream and shortcake will be grouped together.

Packaging is another technique - meat is carefully wrapped to conceal bones and fat, "slack fill" where huge boxes contain small quantities, colours and designs are chosen to almost hypnotize shoppers into buying.

Even the music played supposedly to "entertain", is carefully researched to stimulate buying. The study noted that "in the mornings, when the pace is slow, the music is soothing, and the shoppers can be seen moving about in almost a trance, buying as they go. In late afternoons and evenings, when the pace is more hectic, the tempo of the music is much faster, and shoppers dash about at a near frantic buying pace."

In Vancouver the three food giants all operate almost completely self sufficiently each owning their own dairies, wholesalers, equipment and retail outlets. Safeway, Canada is a subsidiary of Safeway Stores Inc. of California. It is a typical foreign controlled company. The parent corp. is part of the military industrial complex in the United States and throughout the world. During the Grape Boycott the United Farmer Workers organizing Committee called a boycott of Safeway and their grapes (Safeway owns large grape farms in Calif.

The U.S. Army bought their grape crop instead, in quantities in the order of one pound of grapes per day per man!

Canada Safeway's subsidiaries up here include MacDonald's Consolidated (wholesalers), Jasper Dairy (Lacorne Milk), Clearbrook Frozen Foods etc.

IGA (Independent Grocers Alliance) is a Canadian owned operation controlled by two very large and extensive companies. These two companies, M. Loel and the Oshawa Group (controlled by the Wolfe family) act as wholesalers, milkmen, printers, druggists, financiers etc for your "independant" grocer.

Last but not least Canada's Baron of Bread - Garfield Weston and his international food empire. Besides Super Valu Weston owns a variety of retail outlets such as Super Valu, Red and White, Maverick, Shop Easy, Hi Lo, Mini Mart, Economart and Lucky Dollar.



These are supplied by Weston's Wholesalers: Kelly Douglas and W.H. Malkin who's subsidiaries produce the chocolate Neilson's mmlk (Foremost), tea and coffee (Dickson's), paper and matches (Eddy), sea foods (B.C. Packers, Cloverleaf), bread (Martha Lane, Sunbeam), meat (Meteor) etc.

The manufacturing division packages over 500 food products (under brand names such as Nabob, Squirrel, Kadana, Boban, and Sun Gold) and services 450 accounts (including all major wholesale and retail chains in Canada).

Because of the size of these three companies it is difficult if not impossible to avoid buying from them.

The study does make some suggestions though.

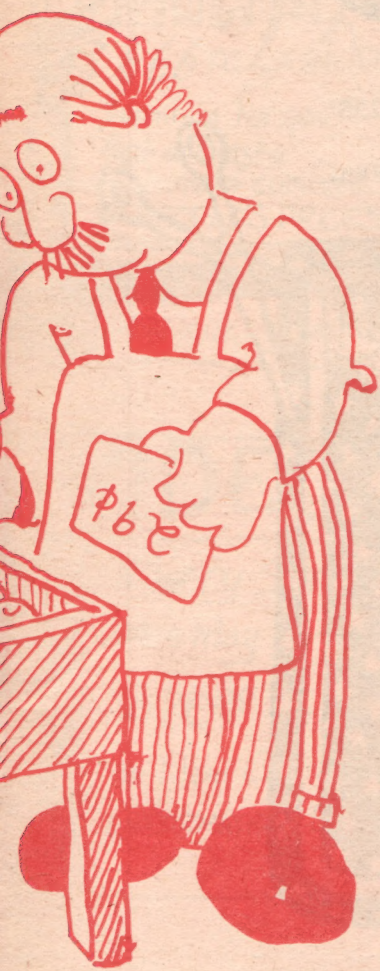
First try buying directly from the producer whenever possible. Not only is the food much fresher but it is also a lot cheaper. For example, fresh fish can be bought at many points along the Fraser River at 50 cents to 65 cents a pound while in the supermarkets the price is about \$1.70. Eggs and poultry can be purchased from local farmers. Now that summer is here (almost) fruit and vegetables can be purchased from the many small farms in Richmond, Delta, Fraser Valley and the Okanagan. Food foraging of this sort could become a family or neighbourhood project.

Also there are the various co-ops in the city which supply food at much cheaper prices. Of course they aren't as convenient as shopping at your local Super-Valu because they require your personal involvement. But this does not seem to be such a terrible thing. Working in a food co-op is a nice way to be involved in your community.

Besides having cheaper prices the co-ops try to offer higher quality food: they buy organically grown fruits and vegetables and as much unprocessed meat and tinned foods as is available.

If you would like more information about the food business in Van. you can get a copy of **THE GROCERY STORE STORYBOOK** by writing "Food Study", PSA Department, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby 2, B.C.

One more note Adelle Daves says that we are what we eat. If Garfield Weston, Safeway of Calif and I.G.A. control what we eat, then what are we?



Hoover lies a-moulding in his grave but Nixon keeps marching on!

During his 1968 election campaign, Nixon commissioned a study of the Vietnam war. The study concluded the US couldn't win. A Nixon campaign worker composed the speech - that was never delivered. Nixon gambled he could win without such forthright statements. He was right. The "peace candidate" became President.

With the cold counsel of Kissinger, Nixon decided he also could win the war. Bye-bye old study. Hello 'new' weapon. Greap power diplomacy by charter flight.

China and the Soviet Union are daggers drawn. Let's throw each of them some special bait and then maneuver both of them into shackling the Vietnamese. Throw Taiwan to China. Sign nuclear agreements with the Soviet Union. Spend February in Peking, May in Moscow. This was the schedule of Globetrotter Tours for Mr. Nixon and Henry Kissinger, his shadow... who sometimes went before and sometimes followed after.

For the folks back home, a new twist, withdrawal of US ground troops. For the Vietnamese, an old twist 437 Hiroshima's worth of bombing.

Nixon grinned and grinned and grinned. The North American left focused their tired despair on a new villain, China. Chou En-lai quietly went to Hanoi after Nixon returned to Washington. Supplies kept flowing, from China and from the Soviet Union.

The Vietnamese offensive shattered Nixon's grin. Despite barbaric and intensive use of an electronic battlefield, the Vietnamese hadn't been militarily incapacitated or demoralized. They brought the war back home to America, and the folks were upset.

Peking was a waste. Henry, try Moscow. Henry came back with the conviction that the Soviet leaders would use their "constructive influence" on Hanoi. But on the battlefield the Saigon troops continued their methodical collapse: Quant Tri fell, the circle around Hue, Kontun and An Loc tightened.

What good is bait if the fish nibble it off the hook? Mine the harbours. Bomb the rails. And without fanfare smash some of the diking system in the Red River delta, where 60 percent of the population lives and 80 percent of the food grows.

Faced with imminent collapse of the Saigon puppet government, escalate the war. Escalate the war and provoke internal protest. Provoke internal protest and jeopardize re-election. What's the alchemy that will transmute defeat to victory? The Grand Wizard is searching the world. It's been the same pattern since 1954 when the US was giving France \$1 billion to fight the Vietnamese and urging the use of nuclear weapons when the French collapsed May 7 at Dienbienphu.

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NIXON'S VIETNAM

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"General who? Of the Viet Cong? Isn't this Saigon...?"

The latest Nixon escalation is directed immediately against the Soviet Union, not the Vietnamese. By most estimates the Vietnamese already have sufficient supplies to sustain the high level of their current offensive. If, in the face of Nixon's direct challenge, the Soviet Union turns tail - respects the blockade and continues with the scheduled May summit - Nixon would have politically isolated Vietnam from one major ally. This would then leave Nixon militarily much freer to openly pursue genocidal slaughter of the Vietnamese, moving his tactics from attrition to a speedy holocaust with massive destruction of the dikes and the use of nuclear weapons.

Nixon calculates on domestic opposition fading with the Soviet retreat. Once n Once North Americans are reassured they will survive their current anxiety about World War 3, they will not be concerned whether the Vietnamese survive. The "final solution" for the Vietnamese, "winning" the war, making his achievement "peace" the election issue, these are stages that Nixon must pass through quickly. Nixon talked in his speech about military decisiveness. The first key to this is decisive political victory over the Soviet Union.

The last time the U.S. publically confronted the Soviet Union willingly running the risk of nuclear war, was in 1962 when John F. Kennedy blockaded Cuba. The Soviets conceded at that time. They withdrew nuclear missiles that they earlier had positioned in Cuba as their own political challenge to U.S. power. The missiles didn't change the military balance of power. In return the U.S. agreed not to invade Cuba as it earlier had done in the Bay of Pigs.

This precedent of the Soviet retreat is a poor one on which to base a prediction for the current situation. In 1962 the American Empire was still at the pinnacle of its economic, political and military power. Today it faces enemies and even hostile allies like Japan on all sides. Neither the U.S. or the Soviet Union can any longer believe, as they could in 1962, that they have the world to divide between them. Vietnam is militarily stronger and politically than was Cuba in 1962. She also has China as an ally which Cuba did not. Consequently Vietnam has greater independence and more leverage against the Soviet Union than did Cuba. And it is clear that the Vietnamese will not accept any Nixon ultimatum.

Moreover the U.S. is internally divided, not only because of popular opposition to the war but more importantly in the short run, because of serious ruling class disagreements about the relative costs and benefits of the war. In 1962 the U.S. was as patriotically united as a lynch mob. Finally, the Soviet retreat in 1962 did not sacrifice the Cuban people to the American Empire. The potential consequences to the Vietnamese of the Soviet retreat in 1972 are appalling. The people of the Soviet Union unlike the people of North America, have lived through the long night of fascist occupation and slaughter. The Soviet government could not hide from them the meaning of retreat, a retreat that would generate further internal dissent within the Soviet Union.

Of course the bait of nuclear monopoly with the U.S. and stabilization of Soviet interests are very strong.

The outcome?

By MORDECAI BRIEMBERG



COMMON FRONT IN COURT

Recent visitors to Quebec attest to a drop in morale at the crushing of the Common Front strike that took 210,000 workers off the job. To refresh your memory, the common front of unions - including the Confederation of National Trade Unions, the Quebec Federation of Labour and the Quebec Teachers' Corporation - united to demand three things of the government concerning workers in the public sector: a minimum wage of \$100 a week, equal pay for equal work, AND AN ESCALATOR CLAUSE IN THE CONTRACT TO KEEP WAGES RISING AT THE SAME RATE AS THE COST OF LIVING.

The state moved hard to crush the strike, and amidst high rank-and-file solidarity, the leadership capitulated and ordered the workers back.

Now the leaders, Louis Laberge of the Fed, Marcel Pepin of the CNTU and Yvon Charbonneau of the Teachers, are having their day in court. Rubbing salt into the wounds, the state made sure riot police were present in the courtroom. The union leaders were on trial for contempt of court because they had advised workers to ignore injunctions brought against them.

Half an hour after the opening session got under way, the three union heads stormed out of the courtroom in protest of the riot police present. They accused the government of "banana republic" tactics of justice.

Yesterday, Pepin, Laberge and Charbonneau were sentenced to a year in prison for defying the state.

QUEBECOIS GETTING TOO MUCH?

The flames of bigotry are being fanned again by the likes of Bennett and other politicians. They claim that Quebec is getting an unfair portion of equalization

payments which are made from the have provinces to the poorer ones.

Quebec gets \$74 per head per year in equalization payments against Saskatchewan's \$102 and Newfoundland's \$213.

As for regional expansion grants, Quebec, with 30% of Canada's unemployed, receive 26% of the grants.

OCCUPATION OF CRIME-STUDY CENTRE

(APLQ) Since last March 28, students from the University of Montreal have been occupying the International Centre for Comparative Criminology (CICC) in Montreal. CICC is funded by the Ford Foundation and various Canadian government agencies, as well as the University of Montreal.

The official goal of the Centre is "to contribute to the formation of a person specialized and trained in penal justice...and to promote on an international scale the development of a modern technique of crime control." Since 1969, the CICC has held three international symposia and set up regional seminars in Argentina, Brazil and the Ivory Coast.

In actuality, the CICC has been developing programs of repression to be used especially in "developing" countries.

At home in Quebec, the Centre has conducted two studies. The first is the reaction of the people to diverse forms of "deviance," and the second relates to the "development, role, functions and efficiency of the police in Canada, especially in Toronto, Vancouver and Montreal."

The action group militating against CICC demands that the CICC cease its intervention on behalf of Third World governments, placing itself at the service of fascist regimes by its scientific studies, and that it break with the University of Montreal.



THE QUEBEC WATCHER'S CLUB

By JEFF MARVIN

At least some Canadians are taking Quebec seriously. A Kelowna radio station has reported that a "Quebec Watchers' Committee" has been formed, and its members include very high provincial government officials.

The point of the committee is to draw up plans contingent on Quebec's separating from Canada. Reportedly, the areas or provinces involved include B.C. and Alberta, and one unnamed north-western state, possibly Washington.

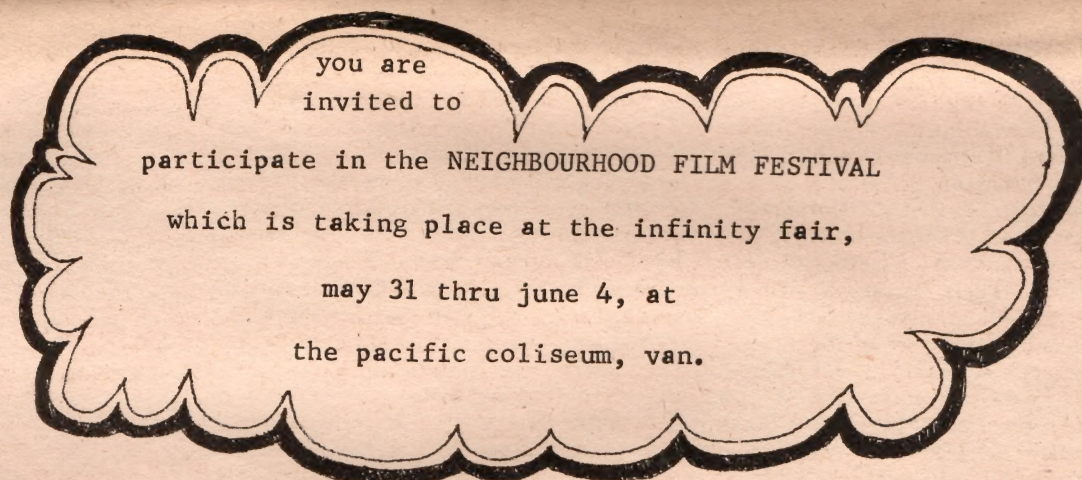
Although Bennett has denied any knowledge or support of such a group, Socred Government policies rely heavily on interchange with the United States, especially the northwestern provinces of Washington, Oregon and California.

Furthermore, Bennett has been on an anti-Quebec stint of late. His assertion that Quebec's economic problems come from mismanagement and that equalization payments from the wealthy provinces to the poor ones benefit Quebec above all others simply do not jibe with the facts (see QUEBEC NOTES).

Murray Hesketh of CKNW, who broke the story, reports also that powerful business interests are involved in the committee.

Bennett scoffed at the report, calling B.C. "an empire unto itself." Still, the possibility that B.C. and other provinces will have to go it alone in the very near future has got to be on the minds of certain politicians. Further, B.C. is closer economically to the U.S. than to eastern Canada.

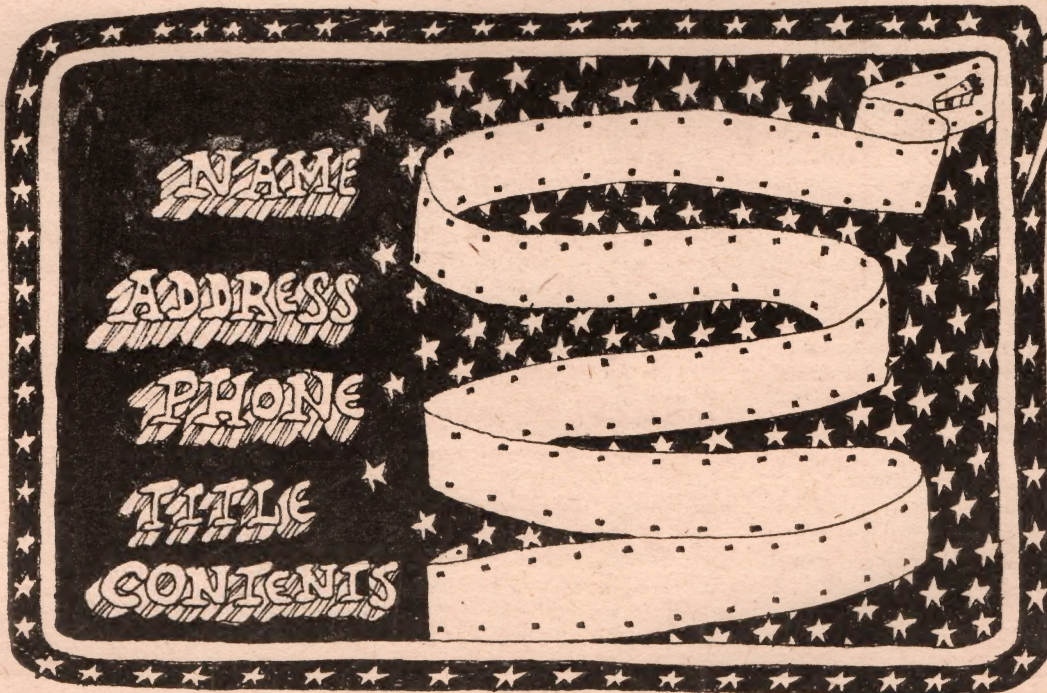
B.C. an American state? It's not unbelievable. Heck, all it would take is a ceremonial changing of the flag.



for more information please contact Benjamin at 732 5230

or send in this coupon.

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the ferdman case

By STAN PERSKY

Fred Ferdman, UBC mathematics instructor and member of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist), has been the victim of political deportation from Canada. His deportation came around May 3 and was carried out by the RCMP under the direction of Solicitor-General Jean Perre Goyer whose job with the government now amounts to directing undercover campaigns against political dissenters. (Hoover is dead, long live Goyer).

The case is important for many reasons. First and foremost it is an act of political repression against Ferdman. It stems from charges laid

against him by the administration of UBC for "trespassing". Ferdman was selling copies of a CPC (M-L) newspaper in a University residence when the Royal Cops were called in to remove him. Subsequent events led to a trial over the matter. (see Ferdman's statement)

The state's action against Ferdman has other serious implications. One of the most obvious is the fact that the material presented here occurs after the fact. The GRAPE has had Ferdman's statement for two weeks. The left has ignored Ferdman's predicament entirely when it cannot afford to do so. State power with its feet of clay presents a formidable

front. Its tactics with the revolutionary left have remained fairly consistent throughout history --divide and smash.

The CPC (M-L) has been one group with which this tactic has been carried out. Two years ago Bill Spikula of the CPC (M-L), was put in Riverview mental hospital. His "Neurosis" was opposition against capitalism and US imperialism. (No doubt psychiatric jargon was found to build a case for his "mental illness". Now Ferdman has been expelled from the country. Other cases exist against the CPC (M-L) specifically.

The central question arises: What is the response of the Left to such goings

on. The left in Canada and in Vancouver is divided. There are some united groups such as the CPC (M-L). While we may disagree with their political style, programs or whatever it becomes apparent that a campaign of political repression on the part of the state must be opposed. The Left has been unable to mobilize against these instances and the CPC (M-L) remains a straw person against which the state can use extreme repression (Today CPC (M-L), tomorrow....?)

Ferdman has been dragged through the courts for some time now. His statement appears below as an account of what has happened.



STATEMENT OF FRED FERDMAN, CANADIAN RESIDENT AND LANDED IMMIGRANT FOR 3 1/2 years MADE APRIL 20, 1972.

Today I am facing immediate deportation at a hearing of the Immigration Appeal Board in Ottawa. I am accused on charges based on "trespassing" at the University of British Columbia where I am a post graduate student and teaching assistant. And I am also accused on the basis of my political beliefs, which are against US imperialism and in support of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist). Two Government Ministers, Solicitor General J.P. Goyer and (former) Minister of Manpower and Immigration Otto Lang, have forbidden the Appeal Board to squash or even stay or delay my deportation, as they have labelled me a threat to the "national interest" based on secret "security intelligence reports" whose contents I am not allowed to know. These acts have raised the indignation of many people. In two days over a third of the faculty of the UBC math, dept. as well as many graduate students and secretaries have signed a petition opposing the "political deportation of Fred Ferdman". Several professors, including the head of the UBC Political Science Dept., Dr. Walter Young, have written letters to Goyer or to the Immigration authorities protesting their actions. There has been a demonstration against this deportation. It is clear recently there have been many more such deportations of people for opposing US Imperialism and supporting the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist); for example: Susan Herzog last week and earlier, Fred Mason, Anne Briggs, Sarah Herrinck, Harsh Chadha, Mary Hofman, Alan Scott, Rosemary Cruise, etc. etc. I have no regrets. My views are well-known to thousands of students at UBC, including the 532 students who voted for me when I had the honor of running as the candidate of the anti-imperialist student group, the UBC Popular Student Front, for President

of the AMS (UBC student society council). If political persecution and the threat of deportation is the price immigrants have to pay to oppose US domination and to support communism, the price of taking a stand for what is just and against what is unjust, I and many more immigrants will eagerly come forward to fight for our rights and to sacrifice for the liberation of our adopted country. And we will see if this Ottawa government that so abjectly extends the red carpet of "welcome" to Nixon will pay the price the patriotic Canadian people will exact from it.

In more detail, the two charges that the deportation order of June 4, 1971 against me are based on are as follows:

1) That I have been convicted of an offense.

On Jan. 19, 1970 I was selling a progressive student paper, Student Front, Vol. 1 no. 1 and discussing politics with fellow-students at Totem Park Residence, UBC. Some reactionary administrators objected to my political views. They didn't think that, although I am a student at UBC, I had any right to discuss politics with the other students. So they called me a "trespasser" and had an RCMP officer and some campus police assault me and drag me out. I was convicted of a "criminal offense" for this although, according to the prosecutor, I wasn't guilty of anything unless I was also guilty of "trespass" at the school at which I am studying.

2) That I have "become a person who, if you are applying for admission to Canada, would be refused by reason of your being a member of the prohibited class described in paragraph 5(m) of the Immigration Act namely, a person concerning whom there are reasonable grounds for believing that you are likely to engage in or advocate subversion by force or other means of democratic government, institutions or processes as they are understood in Canada."

Since late '69 I have been active against US imperialism. I have talked to thousands of UBC students, sold

progressive papers, taken part in many demonstrations, etc. The entire evidence for the above charge, however, is two lines torn out of context from the transcript of my "trespass" trial in '70. One line says that I regard valid reasons for actions as more important than obedience to authority and the other refers to the use of force to oppose US imperialist domination of Canada and to defend the Canadian people's democratic rights. In my opinion, however, these two lines are just being used as a red herring. What this second charge amounts to is simply that I oppose US imperialism and support communism. Is it not absurd to say in count I (that I should be deported for having political discussions in Totem Park Residence, UBC and in Count II) to say that I, and not the Immigration, Dept., oppose "democratic institutions"?

As to the certificate from Ministers Goyer and Lang which labels me a threat to "national interest", this is just character assassination as no grounds are given. Solicitor General Goyer! You head a whole new unit of the secret political police. Can't you back up your opinions with fact. Why are you so afraid of giving reasons so that the entire Canadian people can judge for themselves the issues involved? Could you be afraid to show people that you are following the '69 Royal Commission on Security which clearly states that it considers part of Canadian "national interest" to be defending the security of the US overlords (pp. 8-9, pt. 25)?

As I have pointed out above, my case is just one of many. In more detail, some of the other examples are:

1) Susan Herzog

She was a Canadian resident for 3 1/2 yrs. She was deported last week on the basis of several political convictions. For example, after being fired on political grounds from a factory job in Edmonton, she went back to the factory to discuss her case with fellow-workers on their lunch hour. So he was convicted of "trespass". She is a supporter of the Communist Party of Canada (M-L) and of the Canadian People's United Front Against U.S. Imperialism.

2) Subir Roy

He has been in Canada 18 years, since he was 6 in fact. His deportation order is based on two minor "criminal", actually political, offences. In one he was convicted of common assault for defending himself when attacked by a racist thug. The other conviction was for illegal assembly: he participated in a demonstration against US aggression in Indo-China and in celebration of the first anniversary of Chairman Mao's May 20th statement, entitled "People of the World! Unite and Defeat the US Aggressors and All their Running Dogs"

3) Mary Hofman

In another outrageous case, the Dept. of Immigration was so anxious to deport Mary Hofman for taking part in a demonstration against the US invasion of

Cambodia on May 9, 1970 in Toronto, that they issued an order before they could find a country to deport her to. She is not a citizen of any country and the immigration officials are still looking for a country to deport her to.

And many more examples could be given.

The Immigration Dept. carries out these deportations in an arbitrary, kangaroo court fashion. My "inquiry" board consisted of one immigration official who acted as judge, jury and prosecutor combined. The hearings are also held in secret, which allows the Immigration Dept. to lie in public about what happens in private. (For example, in my case I have a signed statement from Vancouver Sun reporter Robert Sarti saying that the source of the (incorrect) information in the Sun about my case was the local Immigration public relations officer, Murray Perry.)

Canada is a land of immigrants. Except for Native Indians and Eskimos, everyone is an immigrant or descendant of an immigrant. When the English colonialists came over to Canada, they stole the land and resources from the Native Indians and Eskimos and imported labouring people to be exploited. Under US domination, these man-eating policies have continued.

Since its founding, the Dept. of Immigration has been a tool of the foreign domination of our land. For example: first Chinese labourers were imported to slave for CPR under conditions so cruel that it is said that under every mile of CPR track through the Rocky Mountains a Chinese body lies. Then the Immigration Authorities labelled these workers as "outsiders" or "undesirable Asiatics". Deportation is kept as a weapon that can be used to threaten almost the entire Canadian population. In the 1930's native-born citizens were deported. And to this day, the Immigration Dept. persists in illegally deporting Native Indians, violating their treaty rights to freely cross the Canada-US border when it divides their traditional lands into two parts. The Canadian people have had no rights they haven't fought for.

I protest this fascist weapon against the Canadian people called deportation. Except for imperialist agents, all immigrants should be able to exercise their political and social rights without any threat of deportation whatsoever. As to my own case, I challenge Ministers Goyer and Lang and the Immigration Authorities; If you are man enough, you will stop hiding behind secrecy and openly disclose the content of your "security intelligence reports" and the real reasons you are politically deporting me.

Denounce political and social deportations!

Immigration Authorities, Ministers Goyer and Lang - if you continue your vile acts of political and social deportations, you will surely come to no good end!

signed Fred Ferdman

FERDMAN'S STATEMENT

ireland: from civil rights to civil war

By matt matt diskinn and john cleveland

The shipment of tanks and 420 tons of ammunition through Vancouver harbour bound for use in training British troops in Suffield, Alberta, makes it clear that what's happening in Ireland is directly relevant to Canadians. Apparently, the Anglo-Saxon establishment in Northern Ireland thinks so anyway since the former aristocratic premier, Captain Terence O'Neil, will be speaking to UBC Alumni at the Hotel Vancouver on May 18. Most Canadians are grossly ignorant or misinformed about the current situation in Ireland. Most radical coverage hasn't helped make it easier to read between the lines of the establishment press since it's usually 90 percent ancient history. Below is the first in a two-part series which tries to deal with the questions most people seem to want answered about the present situation.

WHY ARE THERE TWO IRELANDS, NORTH AND SOUTH?

Ireland as a whole has been a colony of England for centuries. Anglo-Norman invasions began in the 12th century, but the decisive conquest and settlement by force was led by William of Orange in the 17th century.

Ireland had been a Catholic-based culture since the fifth century. The invaders were led by Anglican Protestants. Conquest was carried out in typical imperialist fashion: peasant resistance was met with genocidal war that annihilated hundreds of thousands of people indiscriminately;

the culture and religion were suppressed; plantations, like those in the Southern United States, were set up after the peasants were driven off the land into emigration or the hills and barren land; lower class Presbyterians were brought from England to become settlers on the plantations to work for the Anglican aristocracy; 100,000 Catholic Irish peasants were sent in slave ships to the Barbados.

Ireland's economy followed the classical colonial pattern up to the First World War: a semi-feudal agricultural economy that cannot even feed its own population after the landlords rip off their rent, very little industrialization except where it served specific needs of the British economy, cycles of famine and emigration all of which retarded the growth of any sizable working class in the towns.

In 1921, England responded to a popular armed revolutionary upsurge and the formal declaring of a Republic of all Ireland by a majority of the elected in the elections to the British Parliament with Partition. Lloyd George co-opted some of the IRA and Republican leaders into accepting independence for the South as a 'Free State' pledging allegiance to the king. The exact boundaries with the North

would be decided by a Boundary Commission which the Irish signatories of the treaty professed to believe would decide to exclude only the densely Protestant settler areas from the Free State. The North would not be viable as a separate entity and would soon join the Free State. But large Catholic peasant areas were included and the north remained viable.

Thus Ireland was not only England's first neocolony, she was also the first neocolony. Partition allowed the rise of a weak native capitalist class in the South merging with the generally bigger Protestant capitalists which would be totally dependent economically on Britain as before but politically more stable. The North had to remain separate to guarantee the Protestant settlers relative privileges over the Catholic peasants because the North was to be more heavily industrialized as a subordinate part of the Liverpool-Glasgow axis (mainly shipbuilding and textiles). The Protestant settlers and some Catholic peasants had to be proletarianized and the maintenance of cultural and relative economic privileges was assured for the settlers to keep them as loyal workers.

The Orange Order dominated always by the upper class Anglicans was set up specifically by England to perpetuate the idea among the settlers that they were superior because of their Protestant culture. This didn't always work. Wolf Tone, a middle-class Presbyterian, led an abortive rebellion of both peasants and settlers in 1798 against English rule. But generally England was successful in fostering Protestant religious racism or sectarianism and the peasants reacted by reaffirming their identity in terms of the traditional Catholic native culture.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT OF 1968?

1968 was the year of the Columbia sit-in in the U.S., May-June in France. Most Canadians heard that things were also happening in Ireland at the end of the same year: civil rights demonstrations, student marches, a brilliant student orator with the name Bernadette Devlin.

The issues - the demand by Catholics for an end to discrimination in voting, jobs and segregated housing seemed reasonable enough and the parallel with the early sixties black civil rights movements in the States was obvious. The election of Bernadette Devlin - a radical and a working class Catholic - looked to some to be a breakthrough and our attention turned elsewhere.

Then all of a sudden the scene changed. Instead of student sit-ins and mass civil rights marches dedicated to non-violence the papers talked about the underground Irish Republican Army (IRA), barricaded ghettos and

terrorist bombings. What happened?

The Northern Ireland Civil Rights Association (NICRA) started in June 1968 by exposing some of the grosser examples of discrimination by the gov't housing authority. Queen's University in Belfast, opened to greater numbers of Catholics by Harold Wilson's Labour government after the 1966 election, saw the birth of a new left student movement with large Protestant membership and primarily Catholic leadership. The student group decided to join the civil rights struggle as People's Democracy (LD) with the object of making it more militant and radical but still non-violent.

NICRA was to a large extent ideologically dominated by conservative Communist Party members (the CPI is the only sizable Irish political party left or right which has never picked up arms for any part of its history) and middle-class Catholic and Protestant liberals. PD wanted to broaden the issues beyond NICRA's focus on voting rights and democratic rights of free speech and assembly to deal with economic rights, hoping to reach Protestant as well as Catholic workers. Their slogan was 'People's democracy: one man, one job, one vote; one family, one house'.

PD's commitment to non-violence was sorely tested right from the start when their October 5 demo in Belfast was disrupted by the intervention of 5050 Protestants, stirred up by right wing populist Rev. Ian Paisley. The police refused to stop the harassment of the peaceful demonstrators.

Confrontation just increased the dedication to non-violent militancy. When NICRA called off a demonstration to give Northern Ireland Premier O'Neil a chance to implement reforms he had vaguely hinted at on TV People's Democracy decided to go it alone in a planned march from Belfast to Derry. The "Long March" was attacked at Burntollet bridge by angry Orangemen (many of whom turned out to be members of the para-military B-specials police auxiliary force out of uniform) armed with clubs and rocks. The brutalization of the unarmed students was broadcast on TV and when the march arrived in Derry the whole of the Catholic Bogside ghetto was out to meet them. Another incident provoked a riot and barricades were thrown up around the Bogside to keep the aroused Orangemen out of Catholic homes. The barricades came down days later.

On April 17, 1969, Bernadette Devlin was elected to the British Parliament in Westminster. She had campaigned on a socialist and republican platform having lost her name stand when the Nationalists and Republicans looked like they would both run and split the vote to let the Orange Unionist party candidate win.

Two days later a NICRA demo was attacked. Police as usual, used the excuse to attack the Bogside and Samuel Devenney was beaten to death in his living room.

On April 21st, the British government announced that British troops would be used to guard key installations (just like Jewmount and downtown businesses were protected in Quebec in October '70) as the police were already spread too thin.

Marchers on the annual Orange religious parade, the Apprentice Boys March, provoked some street kids in the Bogside with their taunts and a riot was soon in progress. Barricades went up and the Bogside residents repelled successive police charges of CS gas and Orange volleys of stones and firebombs by replying in kind. Bernadette symbolically smashed the idea that the battle would be fought in Westminster when she was

photographs throwing patrol bombs and building barricades. Angry at the beating the police were taking in Derry, Orange mobs joined the B-specials and the police in an attack on the Falls Road ghetto area of Belfast. In the aftermath there were six dead, hundreds injured and whole streets of houses burned out.

The British sent in troops. Later the B-specials were to be replaced by the more 'professional' Ulster Defence Regiment under direct command of British officers. The lice were to be disarmed and the British troops took on more and more both the policing and military tasks themselves. British minister Gallagher talked down the barricades with vague promises for the last time.

At first the foreign troops were tolerated with the hope that they would protect the Catholic ghettos from attack. But with the election of a new Tory government in June of 1970 the army's passive role changed into an active one.

The Tories

wanted to root out the IRA which it deceived itself into believing were the master conspirators. This meant house to house searches, aggressive patrolling and hostility.

The IRA was not the master conspirator behind the events of '69. The failure of the IRA to militarily defend the ghettos from pogrom attacks and the aggressive role of the British army provoked a split in the IRA. The majority faction, later known as the 'Officials', concluded that the 1956-62 'border campaign', which had tried and failed to arouse the population with bombings of police stations, roads and bridges

, had shown that the IRA was weakest in its carrying out of the political tasks of explaining their objectives to the people. They proposed that the IRA adopt a socialist programme and conduct open agitation around economic and civil rights issues. They joined and soon dominated NICRA.

The minority faction, soon to be called the Provisionals or Provos, decided that the main weakness was military and decided to begin a counter-offensive to defend the ghettos against pogroms and troop harassment.

The pattern of events from then on are more familiar to most people. Internment in Long Kesh, McGilligan and especially the Maidstone ship jails provoked more bombings and sniping at troops in the few months after August '71.

Barricades went up in virtually all the small towns in the Six Counties of Northern Ireland. People's Democracy, by this time a disciplined cadre organization and Provo-oriented Republicans started to build units of the Northern

Resistance Movement (NRM) based on the street committee that

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were springing up as a more militant alternative to NICRA in each community. People's courts were set up to add to the growing list of alternate institutions that are the embryo of a PRG like in Vietnam.

January 30, 1972 was Bloody Sunday in Derry. Thirteen NICRA marchers were shot in the back at point-blank range. The appointed Widgery tribunal whitewashed the role of the Paratroop regiment in the killings. Political

observers later deduced (based on newsmen's tape recordings of the rally) that army allegations that the IRA fired first were lies. Apparently it was a cold and crude attempt by the British army to 'flush out' the IRA people in the crowd by the provocation of shooting at the crowd from the protection of armoured cars. Agents were deep in the crowd to observe who responded and in what way.

Bloody Sunday provoked the greatest mass upheavals in all of Ireland since the 1913 general strike. Ports, planes and industries were paralyzed by spontaneous walkouts throughout the whole country. British newspapers were boycotted. Mass demonstrations in front of the British Embassy in Dublin of up to one hundred thousand people for two days led to repeated firebombings and finally a massive gelignite explosion which was ignited in full view of the police and thousands of demonstrators. The third day saw endless rows of marchers carrying black flags as the thirteen were buried.

IS IT A WAR BETWEEN CLASSES OR IS IT A SECTARIAN FEUD BETWEEN CATHOLICS AND PROTESTANTS?

The historical basis for the development of the split between the Protestant settlers and the Catholic peasants is described in the answer to the question "Why are There Two Irelands, North and South?"

Some simple facts about conditions in today's Northern Ireland tell the rest of the story.

Most of the Protestants are concentrated in the North but the five to ten percent of the Southern Irish work force that is Protestant is not discriminated against. And think of themselves as Irishmen. The laws on divorce, abortion and contraception are conservative but this is true of lots of other reactionary capitalist countries where the influence of the Catholic church is less strong. Church and State are separate and the sex laws are applied equally to Protestant and Catholic.

The business class in both North and South is largely Protestant, but this is more because the country is controlled by foreign (50 - 60 percent British, 20 - 30 percent native Protestant and Catholic, 10 - 15 percent Canada and U.S., 5 - 10 percent West European and Japanese in the South; figures are more difficult for the North since Ulster residents are counted as British but generally the English 'foreign' percentage is even higher) capital than anything else. The key is the colonial relationship to England.

There is a material basis to the relative 'privilege' of the Protestant in the North which will not be removed until the reason for its creation in the first place is removed - the need for England to subjugate and control the people of Ireland.

One thing is clear no matter how much more the Protestant worker has than the Catholic worker. The overwhelming majority of both Protestants and Catholics are workers who live on an average income of slightly more than 570 pounds (\$1700) a year (New Left Review no. 55, 1965 p.30). It is both their interests to overthrow the imperial English masters and their native born gang of greedy businessmen and insensitive bureaucrats.

Nevertheless right now the two groups live in very different worlds side by side. The Orange Order still exerts a powerful influence to encourage Protestants to feel that their culture is 'superior'.

Partition guaranteed that the Protestants make up 60 percent of the population so up to now it has been easy for the Unionists to play on religious sectarianism to get 86 percent of the Protestants (and only 6 percent of the Catholics) to vote them into power at Stormont. Gerymandering takes care of control of local city councils even in majority Catholic workingclass areas. In Derry, Catholics outnumber Protestants two to one, the local council has a predominance of Protestants over Catholic representatives two to one.

Employment discrimination is systematic - all the employer needs to know is the name of the religious school you went to or your last name. In the Belfast shipyards, ten thousand workers are Protestants and a mere one hundred and fifty are Catholic. It is not surprising that while Protestant unemployment is very high at 11 percent unemployment among Catholics is twice as high, 22 percent.

The Stormont Housing Authority has controlled the allocation of housing over the years in such a way that Catholics and Protestants are housed in completely separate neighbourhood ghettos especially in the large towns.

Hence religion corresponds to two distinct groups within the working class. The Protestants live in separate areas in generally better homes often work in separate job sites, have a separate Catholic school system.

Protestant and Catholic workers are part of the same class; more than that, they are part of the same Irish nation which has seen both peasant and settler proletarianized and colonized.

NEXT WEEK:

PROVOS AND OFFICIALS: WILL THE REAL IRA PLEASE STAND UP?

WHO IS BOMBING THE PUBS AND RESTAURANTS?

WHAT IS DIRECT RULE?

WHY IS CANADA TRAINING BRITISH TROOPS FOR USE IN IRELAND?

BRITISH TANKS IN VAN COUVER

By CLAUDE JORDAN

A full squadron of British army tanks, an undisclosed number of Ferret armoured scout cars and other military vehicles, as well as 240 tons of ammunition are being currently unloaded from two Royal Fleet Transports: Sir Bevedere and Sir Geraint at Vancouver docks.

But the sea-going gentry are meeting with a chilly welcome in Vancouver. The reason is the role played by the British Army in Ireland, particularly the 'Bloody Sunday' of Derry when 13 unarmed civilians were mowed down by the Army. Last Saturday the arrival of Sir Bevedere provoked a three hour demonstration at the Centennial Pier. The demonstrators carried placards which called for 'an end to British colonialism', the withdrawal of all the British forces from Ireland and establishment of a 'Free and United Ireland'.

What is the British Armour doing in Vancouver?

According to an official British Government statement issued in Vancouver last week, the shipment of the military material is passing through Vancouver enroute to the newly established British Army Training Unit at Suffield Alberta.

Unexpectedly the operation is beginning to meet with resistance in Canada. The National Farmers Union is reported to be strongly opposed to the plan claiming that the use of heavy, 55-ton Chieftain tanks which are the main combat tanks of the British army 'will churn the arable soil of Suffield area into a dust bowl'.

Locally, it is opposed by the groups who support the cause of Irish independence. Friends of Irish Freedom, the Irish Republican Club of Vancouver and the Irish Solidarity Committee charge that the Suffield centre will be used as a 'training ground for British Army units engaged in armed suppression of the just struggle of the people of Northern Ireland for full civil rights and independence.'

'This is absolute cock' retorted British Government spokesman, R.J.B. Burns in conversation with THE GRAPE. "Wherever we put a single British

soldier, whether it be in Honduras, on the moon or in outer Mongolia, there we are accused of training them for warfare in Ireland.'

Major Priest of the Royal Army, the logistics officer who is overlooking the shipment told THE GRAPE that the troops will be trained in tactics used in 'conventional, large scale war' and pointed out that it will be of little use in putting down civil disturbance.

According to him the Suffield centre will come into full operation after the first Battle Group arrives by air in early June. From then on a new Battle Group of 650 will be airlifted to Suffield every 21 days. Each Battle Group is composed of 1 company of infantry one squadron of armour and a unit each of sappers (engineers) and artillery. The troops will receive an intensive, three week course in advanced methods of close support, mobile warfare.

What if the Irish struggle moves into the stage of guerilla warfare could not this type of training be of value then? The major refrained to discuss that possibility.

Questioned further he said that he 'could not categorically deny that the troops will not be used in Ireland' following the training.

Monday and Tuesday SIR BEVEDERE unloaded the first 14 of the Chieftain tanks at the CPR Pier 'A' at the foot of Burrard St. The heavy 55-ton tanks are the main combat vehicles of the British Army. They lumbered heavily, under their own power, unto the waiting CPR flatcars.

Today (Wednesday) the second of the Royal Fleet transport SIR GERAIN is expected to dock at the Centennial Pier to unload the ammunition.

Later in the week, possibly by Friday, the ship will move to Pier 'A' as well, where it will unload the rest of the tanks and armoured cars.

This will be the last shipment of equipment for Suffield.

Join the Irish Solidarity Committee in a picket - protest tentatively called for this Saturday at 3 pm. at the foot of Burrard. (It's only tentative, so for last minute changes call 324-3040 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. for confirmation.)



FALLERS WANT SAFETY



By JOHN CLEVELAND

Eight hundred fallers face up to two (?) years in jail for ignoring court injunctions to end their wildcat strike.

The Vancouver *Sun* presents an image of fallers earning \$31,000 a year and having the interest in and dedication to their work of a "professional athlete" (*SUN*, April 2 p.1)

Why do people who are apparently doing so well for themselves risk jail to maintain an 'illegal' walkout?

One faller put it this way.

When I asked him about the injunctions, he said. "Fuck the injunctions, the courts are full of shit anyhow; I know who those bastards (judges) are working for; not for your or me, that's for sure, I

don't believe in breaking nowlaw; that bill 33 is a crock of bullshit; I had no say in it; it ain't for workers, that's for goddam sure".

People who earn \$30,000 a year don't usually relate to the courts this way. Why is this man so angry?

The establishment media tells us that the fallers are fighting for a "standard pricing agreement". That sounds like they just want more money. And the *Sun* would have us believe they are the richest workers in B.C., so why do they think they're so special?

A look at the safety statistics makes it clear that the main issue is NOT money. It's human lives. Fallers have the most dangerous job in B.C. They have to "scale" up hundreds of feet...to cut off

the crown of the Douglas fir. If they are cutting a tree near water, the trunk may split down the middle. If they are cutting in densely forested areas, they face danger of hitting other trees when the trunk they are clinging to sways back and forth. Closer to the ground they have to keep out of the way of falling tanks and branches.

More than one out of four of the people killed on the job in B.C. are fallers, although they make up less than one in 650 of the province's work force.

The Workmen's Compensation Board (WCB) sets a rate for every employer in B.C. to pay into the WCB fund according to how dangerous they judge the job to be. They use the same detailed methods to arrive at these percentages that insurance companies do.

The figure for policemen - generally considered a dangerous job - is 1 percent.

The figure for fallers is EIGHT TIMES that for cops.

All other jobs in the wood industry are less than half as dangerous. Logging jobs other than falling run the highest, about 4 percent. (See box on accident and death rates on this page).

Safety conditions for fallers are barbaric. The reason is cited by the fallers for the wildcat - there is no "standard pricing agreement".

The fallers are the only workers in the wood industry who in practice have no collective bargaining rights. Each faller has to make a specific deal with the local company man, or "bull bucker", in each camp on wages, safety practices and general working conditions. Thus they cannot call upon their union, the IWA, to give them any real backing to get basic safety and wage standards.

The IWA has so far been largely unabel or unwilling to fight for effective collective bargaining rights on the job for fallers. Although fallers are on TV every other night, the IWA leadership has used the excuse of court injunctions to s2y practically nothing.

The fallers charge MacMillan-Bloedel and the other wood companies brought about the backward conditions in the first place. Before World War II, falling of trees was done with manual

saws. It was profitable for the companies to refuse to pay fallers by the hour. They insisted on piece-work rates - payment according to how much wood you cut.

In the 50's power saws and other 'modern' equipment were introduced. The companies changed their tune since you could chop a lot more trees in the same amount of time. The method of payment used now is a compromise: part of the pay is according to piece-work rates (averaging \$1.10 per thousand (m) board feet, compared to \$2.00 1 m in 1946) and part according to an hourly rate (averaging .60 cents above the IWA base rate). But - piece-work rate or hourly wages - they key factor is that bargaining over specific rates is still done individually from job to job. The companies are apparently prepared to send eight hundred fallers to jail to keep it that way. It keeps down the money they have to pay out and it makes establishment of common safety and work standards next to impossible.

Fallers do earn an average of \$12,880 a year (Dept. of Labour figures). But they have to work at such a pace and without real safety measures to do it that the average man lasts less than five years as a faller.

The wood companies agreed in the 1970 contract with the IWA to implement the Nemetz Report recommendations for a standard written pricing agreement and basic safety in 'scaling' practices. Since then they have refused to act on the agreement.

Instead, according to the fallers, they have used every tactic imaginable "from fisting rebellious workers to closing down camps" to stop the fallers from pressuring them into action.

Now John Phillips, company spokesman, is promising to include the same agreement in the 1972 contract if they'll go back to work right away. (the log stocks are low - two weeks to a month - while prices are skyrocketing and the fire season is not far off) But the fallers have been that route before.

Forty-one fallers died in 1970 (the last year we have figures for). The 800 fallers would rather risk a year in jail than become part of the 1972 statistics.

meanwhile....

REPUBLICANS RUNNING SCARED - SAN DIEGO CONVENTION CANCELLED

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (YIP) - A combination of massive anti-war organizing by the San Diego Coalition and first class muckraking by newspaper writers has forced Nixon's Republicans to cancel their plans for a national nominating convention in San Diego.

Ever since the Republican plans for the August convention were announced, anti-war organizers have been planning to bring a million people to the right-wing military city to protest the war-mongering of Nixon, et al. A Coalition of dozens of organizations was formed to co-ordinate demonstrations at the convention.

The authorities, with financial aid from the Federal government, had assembled the most sophisticated crowd control arsenal in the history of the U.S. to deal with the demonstrators. Louis Tackwood, a police undercover agent who changed sides, revealed a police plan to plant bombs at the convention site with the aim of killing lower echelon Republicans and creating the hysteria for an official suspension of civil rights in the U.S. In spite of such intimidation the San Diego Coalition had won the confidence of the entire anti-war movement in the U.S. by providing a clear headed sensible vehicle for non-violent protest.

The Republicans realizing the moral and numerical force the massive demonstrations against them would have decided to transfer the entire convention to Miami, Florida. The main effect of the move is to disorient the demonstrations.

Unfortunately for the Republicans, the Zippies (one step farther than Yippies) have been planning demonstrations for Miami since early January.

The second factor in the Republican switcheroo is the muckraking that has been done about the Republican Party's private dealings and favours for private business interests in the convention city. San Diego is almost entirely controlled by a Republican clique who stood to make a considerable fortune and wield disproportionate influence at the convention.

Coupled with this is the disclosure by Washington columnist Jack Anderson that International Telephone and Telegraph had donated \$400,000 to the Nixon campaign in return for non-prosecution of charges in a multi-million dollar anti-trust suit. Anderson also uncovered the role of the Central Intelligence Agency and ITT in the 1969 coup attempt in Chile.

Similar disclosures by other magazines and columnists have deflated the phony respectability of the Republicans and necessitated a change of local and decor for Nixon's convention.

Something was rotten in San Diego. No doubt the Zippies will make sure it smells just as bad in Miami.

NIXON CAN'T WIN

YORK, Pa. (UPS) - While the heroic people of Vietnam continue their offensive against U.S. imperialism on the battlefield, the people of the United States continue to oppose the war on the homefront.

The Citizens' Committee to Demilitarize Industry recently released a communique taking credit for the sabotage on the assembly line of hun-

dreds of "casings for the MK 500 pound bombs from among shipments made for the U.S. military by the American Machine and Foundry Corporation in York, Pennsylvania."

The CCDI sent non-explosive parts of the bombs to various public figures as proof of their action.

In the communique the CCDI said, "Our removal of these hundreds of bombs from the rain of terror now falling on Indochina does not in itself change war plans or war profits..." They took the action to act as a reminder to other Americans working in the defense industry of the destructive and unsteady nature of their work and to show the complicity of the larger corporations in the automated air war in Indochina. They also wanted the people of Indochina to know that millions of Americans oppose Nixon's war and that "many of us are prepared to take principled action to stop it."

FRELIMO ZAPS TRAIN

DAR-ES-SALAM, Tanzania (UPS) - FRELIMO guerrillas blew up a Cabora Bassa-bound train last month. According to a report in the Nationalist of Tanzania: "Fascist authorities [in Mozambique] have not given the number of casualties but it has been reported that the whole engine, tender and eight wagons on the train were blown to pieces as they came across the well-laid trap of the FRELIMO fighters." The section of track where the train was hit has reportedly been blown up eleven times since last September. According to a report in the British Daily Telegram: "The road to Cabora Bassa is now wholly tarred, making it more difficult to lay mines, but ambushes are still a danger. The 4,000

Europeans inhabiting Songo above the Cabora Bassa gorge are dependent on an airlift. Heavy materials go up the road by convoy." FRELIMO guerrillas are determined to prevent construction of a dam on the Cabora Bassa, for the dam will bring electrical power and hence more white colonists to the area, which is the homeland of the people of Mozambique. Portugal, in league with South Africa, is the major architect of the dam scheme.

WHITE/BLACK "DIALOGUE"?

SALISBURY, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) (UPS) - The racist Rhodesian government last week seized 66,000 newly printed membership cards for Rhodesian blacks belonging to the African National Council, which formed to oppose the Salisbury-London 'settlement' of the question of recognition of and independence for the breakaway regime. The police declared the cards constituted an "undesirable publication." The ANC had effectively mobilized thousands of blacks to protest the racist "settlement" proposal.

FORGOTTEN REVOLUTIONARIES

DETROIT, Mich. (UPS) - An extradition hearing is planned sometime this month for Robert F. Williams, the black militant who organized self-defense groups in Monroe, N.C. during the 1961 civil rights struggle there and later had to flee the country to escape frame-up kidnapping charges.

ACCESS THREE TO GO

By CANDY ACCESS

B.C. Access Catalogue number 3 is ready to begin typesetting. So far we have articles on:

Loving Feet
Make your own leather gloves
Violin Making
Making Soap
Grantsmanship
Celebrations and nonsense
Poetry
Propane Conversion for Autos
Hydroponics
Musical Playgrounds
Printing Trips
Mushroom Cultivation
Hand-Made Tools
Food Food and More Food

This time we are thinking of a small format. Perhaps half tabloid size (that is half the size of this paper) or a square catalogue or one that is up instead of out and some colored pages. It all depends on cost and where we have it printed. We hope to have it printed on a community press this time.

The success of this edition depends as much on you as it does on us. Any information, ideas, poems, stories, pictures, photographs, drawings, etc., you can contribute will be gladly accepted. Come and see us at 1729 McSpaddin, just off Commercial Drive between 4th and 5th. Write us a letter, or phone 254-9776.

hydro security deposit

Murray Taylor is not your average freak. He's a flackman for a national record company and he's been regularly employed for two years. But as far as B.C. Hydro is concerned, he might have hit town yesterday.

The story of Taylor's run-in with our local power giant began when he moved into a new house last February. He was told that he would have to pay a \$60. "security deposit" to Hydro.

Taylor called Hydro and told a Mr. Tindall that he didn't have the money, but that he was regularly employed. Tindall said that he'd call Taylor back. He did. And he threatened to cut off Taylor's Hydro service within a week.

Taylor bargained to pay half the deposit, and Tindall agreed. So Murray borrowed the money and mailed a check. Everything seemed fine until last week.

A Hydro representative showed up on

Murray's doorstep and threatened to shut off the power if he didn't pay the other \$30 immediately.

By this time Taylor was pissed off enough to consider having the power shut off until he learned that to have it reconnected he'd have to shell out \$5. for a "reconnection fee," the \$30. balance on the deposit, plus his immediate bill, a grand total of somewhere around \$100.

So Taylor went to visit Mr. Tindall. He was told that security deposits were "at our discretion" and that it was up to Tindall who should have to pay them and who shouldn't.

Finally Taylor reluctantly borrowed an additional \$30. and paid the deposits.

Murray Taylor's experience is not unique. And it raises a host of questions

concerning Hydro policy.

Who is required to pay deposits and who isn't?

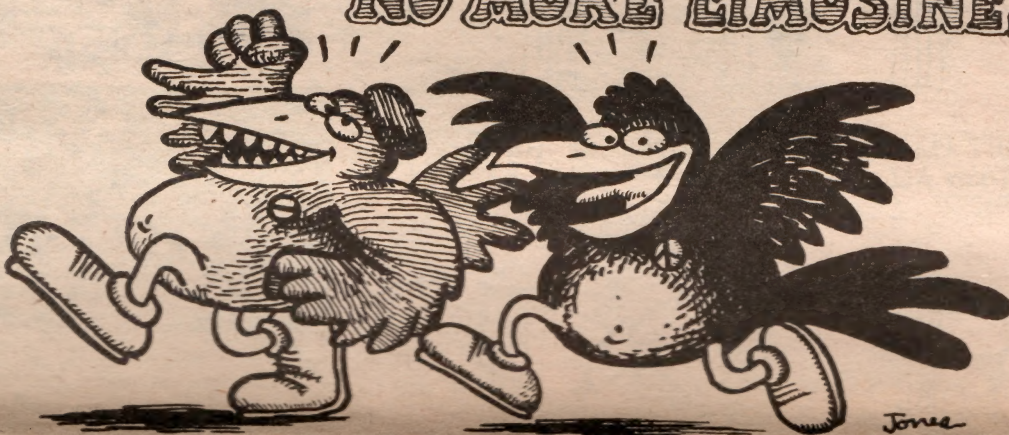
What happens to the money?

Deposits generally range between \$50 and \$100. Multiply that by the number of new accounts Hydro opens every month on which they demand deposits, and the sum must be considerable.

Why is no interest paid on the deposits? Hydro undoubtedly banks or invests the money, and they receive profits from money that is really their customers'.

The GRAPE will try to answer some of these questions in weeks to come. In the meantime, if you've had hassles with Hydro's policy in the past, leave a message for "Mick" at the GRAPE (688-3713), and we'll get in touch with you.

COME THE REVOLUTION
NO MORE LIMOSINES!



back in the world

Williams lived in Cuba, China and Tanzania before returning to the U.S. in 1969 and setting up residence in Michigan where he felt he could avoid extradition to North Carolina on the kidnapping charges.

During his exile Williams through his writings served as one of the major figures in promoting the upsurge of black

militant in North America. For the past year he has been employed by the Centre for Chinese Studies at the University of Michigan.

Extradition proceedings were brought against Williams when he first returned from exile in 1969 but legal appeals delayed any decisive action until now.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (UPS) - Ahmed Evans, on death row for two and a half years in Columbus, recently won an appeal hearing on his conviction. Evans was convicted by an all-white jury for allegedly conspiring to murder three white policemen and a civilian during a "shoot-out" July 23, 1968. Seven black people were killed in that "shoot-out" but the murderers of those seven were never brought to trial.

The Cleveland "shoot-out" received international publicity because it was the first time in recent memory that white policemen were killed in a racist assault on black people.

Supporters of Evans are urging that he be given a new trial by a jury of his peers.

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (UPS) - In a soon to be published book, former New Haven, Conn., police chief James F. Ahern writes that he was "astonished" when Black Panther Party Chairman Bobby Seale was indicted for murder in New Haven. According to Ahern, there was no solid evidence against Seale which would connect him to the murder of Panther Alex Rackley by a police agent.

CHILEAN COUNTER- REVOLUTION UN- COVERED

SANTIAGO, Chile (UPS) - A right-wing coup d'etat was uncovered recently by the Movement of the Revolutionary Left (MIR). The plot which implicated the entire rightist opposition to Salvador Allende's democratically elected Unidad Popular government was planned in four secret meetings attended by the fascist "Fatherland and Liberty" group, the ultra-right National Party, upper echelon army officers, representatives of the newspaper *Mercurio* and leading members of the "liberal" Christian Democratic Party.

The plan of the rightist was to utilize a repetition of last December's "March of the Empty Pots" when many thousands of rich women staged a demonstration which was to end in mass rioting by right-wing paramilitary groups, as front for similar riots this year. Following the riots, five right-wing army units would seize strategic institutions and people.

The plot, which was directed by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, was to take place in a period of crisis created by the U.S. sabotage of Chile's renegotiation of its foreign debt and the international manipulation of the copper (Chile's major resource) market. The rightist opposition was to create the basis for a "legal coup" through Allende's impeachment in the midst of a "constitutional crisis."

Although MIR, with the help of its clandestine agents within ultra right-wing groups, was able to expose the implementation of this plot by exposing secret documents to the press, government sources claim the coup attempt has only been delayed.

BOLIVIA SMASHES AT LEFT

The military government of Bolivia announced April 5 that it had raided 20 homes allegedly used by the National Army of Liberation (ELN), arresting 150 suspects and killing two. The Bolivian government reported that it had wiped out "guerilla" activity, linking the arrests to the armed group once led by Che Guevara. Although ELN personnel may be involved, other sources believed that the organization in question was the embryonic military apparatus of the newly formed Anti-Imperialist Front, a united front of nearly all major left organizations and parties, formed after the fall of President Juan Jose Torres in a military coup last August. The head of the ELN, Chato Peredo, had been in exile in Chile since then, and the Bolivian regime charged that the Chilean government had aided in the preparation of a planned "invasion" by guerrilla troops from alleged bases in northern Chile. Also this week, the Bolivian government ordered the expulsion of 119 Soviet diplomats from the country, although there are only 92 people attached to the Russian embassy. The discrepancy was made up by a list of names including Yevgeny Yevtushenko, the Soviet poet who briefly visited Bolivia last year, and similar cases. They were accused of giving support to "revolutionary Marxist elements."

Bolivia president Hugo Banzer and Brazilian president Emilio Garrastazu Medici, both generals, met on April 4 to sign agreements for Brazilian aid to Bolivia. The Brazilian government gave Banzer important military and financial aid last year while he was in exile, which

enabled him to overthrow the left-leaning Torres regime. Since then, Brazil has given \$13.5 million in government credit to Bolivia, and a large amount from private Brazilian banks has also been extended. Brazil all but declared a moratorium on loan payments for highways and a railroad linking Bolivian raw materials with Brazilian industries, and agreed to buy Bolivian oil and to develop the Bolivian region bordering Brazil.

LBJS' UNEXPURGATED BEDTIME READING

WASHINGTON, D.C. (YIP) - Washington columnist Jack Anderson has testified under oath before the U.S. House Government Information Subcommittee that "At home the executive branch [the President, etc.] conducts secret investigations of prominent Americans. Their sex lives, drinking habits, and personal affairs have come under FBI scrutiny, although the FBI has no jurisdiction nor justification for this kind of snooping. A love affair, no matter how sordid, is no business of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Yet FBI chief J. Edgar Hoover has demonstrated an intense interest in who is sleeping with whom in Washington."

"President Johnson was one White House occupant who had a fine appreciation for stories about the extracurricular love lives of public figures. Hoover happily prepared secret memos, loaded with intimate details about the personal affairs of the high and mighty for the President's bedtime reading."

This is the kind of material Horno-Porno Productions could turn into millions over night. Too bad J. Edgar Reptile is dead.

IM NOT A MALE
CHAUVINIST PIG.

IM A MAN, YOU'RE
A WOMAN.



I HAVE HANG UPS.
YOU HAVE HANG UPS.

WERE BOTH VICTIMS OF
THE SAME OPPRESSIVE
SYSTEM.



WERE BOTH EQUAL
PARTNERS IN THE
SAME STRUGGLE.

WE ALL HAVE THE
SAME GOALS.



BUT WHAT I CAN'T UNDERSTAND
IS AFTER FIGHTING ALL DAY
TO ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS--

WHY DO I HAVE TO
COME HOME TO A
DIRTY COMMUNE?



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—Feiffer, Village Voice, New York

